Monday August 18th 1834 on the Banks of James River
in Prince Beach Virginia on Sabbath forenoon left the
Schoone Lying in the river & went on Shore with five of the
Sailors on by the name of Devall a pious young man
& he did preaching about 15 Collected this is the first publick
Meeting that I ever attempted & Prayd was Prayd in Sabbath

1. Ship Freedom(?), Capt. Smith
1835 – 1834, Whaling Voyage
2. Schooner Eliza, Capt. Joseph Hartwell
1839 – 1840

#1 Ship Fenelon. Capt. Smith (?) 5-2

Tuesday June 18. 1833. Ship Fenelon. Smith

At 10 AM left New Bedford with the wind at NEast 10 AM the Pilot left us at 8 Set the watch pleasant weather So Ends

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19 Com. with fine weather all hands employed in filling the boats for whaling " pleasant So Ends

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20 Com with pleasant weather wind ahead course East at 4 P M saw a school of Blackfish lowered our boats and got one light winds So Ends

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21 Com with pleasant weather middle and latter part Rainy So Ends

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22nd The first part rainy took in the Topgallants double reefed the Topsails fresh breezes So Ends

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23d Com. with cloudy weather winds shifted suddenly to the Northward at 4 saw a water spout pleasant weather So Ends

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24th Com. with fine weather watch employed in shifting light winds & pleasant weather So Ends

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25th Com. with pleasant weather shifted our course [redacted] to the Latter part Rainy So Ends

26 Com. with pleasant weather all hands employed in clearing out betwixt decks pleasant So Ends

27 Com. with fine weather fresh breezes from NW at 12 AM saw 2 ships in sight So Ends

28th Com. with pleasant weather middle part rainy 6 vessels in sight So Ends

29 Com. with fine weather light winds Middle part rainy at 12 PM wind shifted suddenly to the NW fresh breezes So Ends

30th Com. with fine weather at 10 AM saw a great number of Finbacks & Humbacks So Ends

July 1st Com. with pleasant weather So Ends

2nd " Com.. with light winds and fair middle part rainy took in the steering sails Thick fog at 6 PM took in the top G Sails and hove too for the night we calculate that we are on the Grands Banks foggy So Ends

3d " Com.. with foggy weather Sounded the Bottom found 85 fathoms latter part foggy So Ends

4th " These 24 Hours foggy saw a school of Blackfish and Jumpers close to So Ends

5th " Com with fresh breares and clear weather at 10 AM passed a ship shewing French Colours fresh breres So Ends this 24 Hours

6th " Com.. with pleasant weather saw a school of Porpoises clear weather So Ends this 24 Hours

7th " Com.. with clear weather and fresh Gales going at the rate of 9 Knots So Ends this 24 Hours

8th Com. with fresh gales more moderate set the Top G Sails at 3 P M made the Islands of Corvo & Flores abeam at 16 miles off pleasant weather So Ends

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9th Com. with pleasant weather at 9 A M passed between the Islands saw several Porpoises & Blackfish Latter pleasant So Ends

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10th Com. with pleasant weather made the Islands of Fayal Pico St. George Graciosa & Terceira at 6 P M spoke Barque White Oak 70 days out from New York with 15 Bbls sperm Oil pleasant So

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11th Com. with pleasant weather at 2 P M the Capt. went ashore at Graciosa at 6 P M the Captain returned stood off from the land pleasant So Ends

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12th Com. with cloudy weather at 7 A M spoke Ship Bay Church of Boston no oil bound to the East Cape pleasant So Ends

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13 Com with pleasant weather at 10 A M took in Top G Sails fresh breezes So Ends

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14 Com. with pleasant weather light winds at 6 AM made St. Michaels at 1 PM the Capt. went ashore pleasant So Ends

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15 Com. with pleasant weather stood in close to the land saw 4 vessells at anchors So Ends

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16 Com. with fair weather at 9 AM i went ashore and took a walk around the city got a few Apricots & Lemons pleasant So Ends

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17 Com pleasant weather the captain went ashore for the last time and took 4 Portuguese and a quantity of Onions Potatoes Cabbages Turnips &c at 2 P M made sail and shaped our course for the Cape De Verd islands pleasant weather Course South So Ends

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18 Com. with pleasant weather watch employed in stowing away Potatoes & pickling Onions at 9 AM passed the island of St Mary's pleasant So Ends

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19th " Com.d with fine weather watch employed in stowing away Onions & Potatoes Pleasant So Ends

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20th " Com.d with fine weather watch employed in Knotting rope yarns pleasant So Ends

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21st " Com.d with squally weather Course South So Ends

22nd " Com.d with squally employed in Knotting yarns So Ends

23d These 24 Hours fresh breezes took the N E trades

24th " These 24 Hours fresh breezes employed in Knotting rope yarns So Ends

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25th " These 24 Hours fresh breezes and pleasant employed in Knotting rope yarns So Ends

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26th " This 24 Hours fresh breezes and pleasant passed a ship steering N W So Ends

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27th " This 24 Hours employed in Knotting yarns pleasant So Ends

28th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant at 5 AM being aloft made the Island of Sal to one of the Cape De Verds at 7 PM tack'd in sail pleasant So Ends

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29th This 24 Hours fresh breezes at 6 AM made sail at 11 AM spoke ship Marcus Hand of Sag Harbor 87 BbLs perm Oil at 2 PM passed the island of St Nicholas at 6 PM pass a Reef of Rocks under water the sea a breaking over them very bad pleasant So Ends

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30th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant weather at 6 AM made the Isle of May & St Jago at 10 the Capt went ashore So Ends

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31st This 24 Hours pleasant weather So Ends

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1st This 24 Hours fine weather at 8 AM left and shaped our course for the Whale Ground with 3 Blacks 2 Jackasses 6 Pigs 1 Goat 1 Dog pleasant So Ends

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May 2nd This 24 Hours rainy So Ends

3d This 24 Hours rain and fresh breres from the Northwards at 8 AM took in Steering Sails and Top G. Sails at 9 PM wind shifted to the NW took in the Fore & Main Top Sails and close Reefed the Main Top sails heavy sea a Running So Ends

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4th This 24 Hours rain'd fresh breres So Ends

5th Com. with rain more moderate at 5 PM passed a brig Latter part light winds So Ends

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6th These 24 Hours rain'd fresh breres from the West at 6 set Steering sails So Ends

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7th This 24 Hours rain & sail in sight So Ends

8th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant weather So Ends

9th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant at 10 AM set Steering Sails So Ends

10th This 24 Hours Fresh breezes Rain So Ends

11th This 24 Hours squally weather So Ends

12th This 24 Hours fresh winds from the NNE saw ship in sight shewing American Colours So Ends

13th This 24 Hours fresh winds & pleasant hands employed in mending Sails So Ends

14th This 24 Hours pleasant weather and light winds hands employed in mending Sails

15th This 24 Hours light winds & pleasant weather at 9 AM saw a ship standing to the Eastward

16th This 24 Hours squally with rain So Ends

17 This 24 Hours Fresh breezes and pleasant Beat in all this in latitude of Nothing at 4 PM Capt Lum came on board with his Mate & Boat and performed his duty So Ends

18th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant So Ends

19th " This 24 Hours fresh winds Lay in Flying Gibs and
and down the Main Royal Mast So Ends

20th " This 24 Hours Fresh winds at 2 AM took in the
Fore & Main Top Sails at 4 AM bent a new close
Reef and Main Stay Sail at 10 AM took in the
Main Top Gallant double reefed the Fore & Main
Top Sails So Ends

21st " This 24 Hours fresh winds and squally set the
Sails and Top Gallants So Ends

22nd " This 24 Hours more moderate So Ends

23d This 24 Hours fresh breezes and squally double
reefed the Top Sails Heavy squalls So Ends

24 This 24 Hours fresh winds at 2 AM reefed
the Main Top Sail at 7 AM took in the Main
Pleasant So Ends

25 This 24 Hours fresh winds at 6 AM pumped the Main Sail Heavy saw a Running Do Ends

26 This 24 Hours squally with down Main topsl Mast Fresh Gales Do Ends

27 This 24 Hours more moderate midnt cast at 10 AM Calm Do Ends

28 This 24 Hours light winds and Clear at 4 PM Commenced Rigging this day I am 12 years old

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" This 24 Hours light winds and fair all hands employed in setting up the rigging Do Ends

30 Thurs This 24 Hours light winds and Clear all hands employed in securing Masts Do Ends

31st First part Comm with light winds at 11 PM Mann'd Boats Hands for Exercise at 8 AM heavy Gun firing up from the SE at 1 PM saw a Waterspout great appearance of a storm Do Ends

Sept 1st This 24 Hours squally weather at 1 PM took in Top Sails and Flying Jib So Ends

2nd " This 24 Hours mod^te and clear Set Top Sails steer'd So Ends

3d " This 24 Hours pleasant weather and fresh winds set the Staring Sails cold weather So Ends

4th " This 24 Hours fresh winds from NE Steering SE at 6 P M took in Staring Sails So Ends

5th " This 24 Hours fresh winds Took in the Top Sails saw Sunken Island bearing N a running The wind shifted suddenly from NE to South at 6 P M saw a large Sperm Whale but it being near night we did not lower fresh winds So Ends

6 This 24 Hours light winds and cloudy set Top Sails employed in fitting the Riggen &c So Ends

7th " This 24 Hours fresh winds and squally at 2 P M saw 2 Right Whales going very quick to the wind

7th winds at 6 PM judging ourselves near the Land took in the Top Sails and Split at 11 PM made one of the Tristanie Islands close aboard but the thick fog made all sail immediately and stood off from the Land So Ends

8th This 24 Hours fresh winds at 6 AM made Tristan D. Acuna and the Ile Nightingale islands stood in close to the Land and saw 3 Right Whales lowered and chased them 3 hours without success at 2 PM spoke Ship Swanson of New London with 1100 Bbls calling in the 12th at 2 PM fresh wind took in the Fore and Main Topsails So Ends

9th This 24 Hours fresh winds 3 sail in sight So Ends

10th This 24 Hours light winds stood in towards the Land 7 sail in sight at 3 PM wind ashore and saw a good number of fish saw several whales and 6 boats fast Squally So Ends

11th This 24 Hours fresh breezes Stood in towards the Land saw ship Fusinosas Bids fast at 11 AM spoke this Good Return Homeward with Ye Ves Sham took in Ye G Sail and Topsails and Stood off and Hove Too So Ends

12th This 24 Hours fresh gales Saw Sail in sight So Ends

13th This 24 Hours more moderate at 11 AM set Main Topsail & Fore Sail So Ends

14th This 24 Hours more moderate made all sail and Stood in Towards the Land distance 20 miles So Ends

15th This 24 Hours moderate at 10 AM and above spoke ship Peter Martin G Return Pindus Ann Maria at 10 PM took in Top G Sails double reefed the Topsails So Ends

16 This 24 Hours fresh winds and cloudy at 7 AM shaped our course for the whale grounds Lat 34.00 Long 16 East in Company with Return Saw a dead whale So Ends

17th " This 24 Hours fresh breezes & Cloudy

18th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant & Sail in sight So Ends

19th " This 24 Hours fine weather saw several Finbacks So Ends

20th " This 24 Hours squally saw a right whale going very quick So Ends

21st " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant weather employed in mending sails So Ends

22nd " First part rainy with much lightning & Thunder at 1 pm parted our Lifts Stay & backed it and set it up again saw several Finbacks and Humpbacks So Ends

23d " This 24 Hours light winds and Variant So Ends

24th " This 24 Hours light winds variant so Ends and Fore to first and last part the middle saw several Finbacks So Ends

25th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant all hands employed in mending sails &c End.

26th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Saild in sight &c Ends

27th This 24 Hours light winds Hoisted a sig nl Which lowered but without sweep &c End.

28th This 24 Hours light winds course S & S & took in the Bow Boat to repair at 6 P M tacked in sail for the night &c Ends

29th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant

30th This 24 Hours light winds Took in the Larboard Boat to repair and hoisted in of the new Boats &c Ends

October
1st This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Saild in sight at 6 P M which in the Night Sails &c Ends

2nd " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant at Daylight made sail at 10 AM took in the Top Gallant Sails and Double reefed the Topsails

3d This 24 Hours more moderate at 6 P M saw whales to the windward to far off So Ends

4th " This 24 Hours fresh winds at daylight saw in sight saw a number of Whitebacks and Gunnbacks So Ends

5th " Com. with pleasant weather at daylight saw a ~~sail~~ right Whale close alongside of us lowered for him but he Sounded without sure at 10 AM lowered and got on to the Waist Board took him alongside and commenced cutting in at ½ P M a minimaus Boiling So Ends

6th " Com. with fresh breezes employed in Boiling at 2 P M took in the Main Topsail at 4 took in the Fore Topsail and Split at 6 split the Shp Gaff Main Topsail at 9 P M rocked down on account of bad weather fresh breezes So Ends

9th Fm. more moderate at the Topsail Sand Gibb and am. Boiling saw several Fishwifes and Humpbacks Coasting the Good Return the first time since leaving the Fresheries

10th Fm. much pestered at 6 A.M. at the Fire & min. in Jo Nails saw D. Humpbacks at 12 Broke this Seams Hamm of Hudson in oil fish Fires with Hail squalls So Ends

Sth Fm. This 24 Hours more moderate at daylight made sail employed in repairing the Fryworks at 10 AM saw Daylight Whales So Ends

10th Fm. This 24 Hours fine weather and light winds at 8 PM saw 3 Whales inward and saved Band at the others spouting their blood at 12 comm. Boiling at 6 finished the Bubbles and comm. Boiling So Ends

11th Fm. This 24 Hours fresh winds with some rain at 6 Hrs more employed in Boiling & stowing down the Oil Bbls first while

12th " Fair 24 Hours fine winds and pleasant Weather at 8 PM spoke
Ships Senate of Nantucket Pubbles and Stones of
Fair Londen Pubble So Ends this 24 Hours

13th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Weather em
ployed in stowing down So Ends

14th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Weather saw
a Ship Bbls saw a great number of Finbacks and
Humpbacks Latitude 32°.15 South So Ends

15th " This 24 Hours light Winds at 2 PM spoke Ship Archer
Coffin of Hudson 1000 Bbls So Ends

16th " This 24 Hours light winds at 7 AM com. Searching
Sat 32.05 Bone at 9 AM saw 2 Sperm Whales lowed 3 Boats com
got one alongside to the Starboard Boat at 6 Came
and got one to the Starboard Boat looking saw So Ends

17th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant at 6 AM
com. Cutting at 9 finished saw several whales lowered
but without success So Ends

18th " This 24 Hours light winds and Variable Fine weather Humbrashed at 6 AM saw 2 sail upon keeping Course for them but without Success passed a merchant Ship with Royal set at 7 took in sail and set the watch Lat 53.55

19th " This 24 Hours calm at 9 AM saw a gam of Whales 5 miles off lowered for them saw me & the waist Boat and sunk one to the Starboard at 6 PM Com. Turing the Whale at 9 PM struck him alongside Do Ends

20th " This 24 Hours light winds out in the whale Boat Cooking at 2 PM lowered but without success at 6 PM Hospitable Ship Brook of Loughtinjoe 1 Right Whale and 1 Humpback Do Ends

21st " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Do Ends

22nd " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant Do Ends

23d " This 24 Hours fresh breezes at 9 AM Lowered Boats ing saw a number of whales lowered and got one to the Ships Boat - Do Ends

24th This 24 Hours fresh breezes & hazy employed cutting & finished at 10 Secured for whales Saw'd on to the Bow Boat sunk on to the Starboard Boat at 6 finished cutting in So Ends

25th This 24 Hours fresh breezes all hands employed in Boiling and stowing down So Ends

26th This 24 Hours fresh breezes & hazy Ship Henry of Sag Harbor 1700 Whale 350 Sperm at 6 PM spoke Ship Portland of Salem and Barque Franklin of Rochester 3 whales So Ends

27th This 24 Hours fresh breezes all hands employed in Boiling and stowing down all Head Lat 33.53

28 This 24 Hours light winds Cloudy Weather without Incept ~~So Ends~~ at 10 AM Saw'd and sunk one small whale to the Starboard Boat at 6 PM sunk another on to the same Boat So Ends

29th This 24 Hours Strong winds at 8 AM lowered but without sweeps at 10 lowered and got a sh[illegible] to the Yaul Boat took him alongside and sent him in So Ends Lat 33.48

30th First part moderate at 10 & 11 comm. Boiling at 12 lowered and fastened with the Yaul Boat & Pinnace immediately at 7 P.M. lowered for a Sturback So Ends

31st This 24 Hours moderate weather at Daylight set the Foresail and comm. Boiling at 10 P.M. Reefed the Foresail So Ends

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1st This 24 Hours light winds and fine weather at 7 A.M. made sail at 9 P.M. finished Boiling So Ends

2nd This 24 Hours fine weather Course SW by Wales fresh breezes and Variable with the Pinnace Boat and got 1 Ib. the Rowboat and got her alongside at 11 finished boiling at 1 lowered again but without sweeps So Ends this 24 Hours

3d " First part light winds & Calm employed for 3 whales and got one the Larboard Boat one de Mast Boat at 8 PM finished cutting at 9 P Mcom steering down the last part we had now & hoisted that we can to stow down in the night latter part squally

4th " This 24 Hours fresh breezes with squalls had to cut down and just the Foresail on each at 2nd watch hauled over the Starboard Boat and all hands went below again with fresh wind & Rain

5th " This 24 Hours more moderate at daylight set the Foresail and com. Boiling & Ends

6th " This 24 Hours light winds employed in Boiling and stowing down & Ends

7th " This 24 Hours light breezes at 10 AM saw whales lowered got one & Ends

8th " This 24 Hours fresh and all hands employed in Boiling and stowing down & Ends

9th " This 24 Hours fine weather at 7 A M lowered for whales and got one So Ends

10th " This 24 Hours fine weather at 4 P M spoke the ship Havre of France 5 whales So Ends

11th " This 24 Hours light winds at 7 A M lowered for whales and got one to the Larboard Boat sunk one to the Waiste Boat 4 ships in sight So Ends

12th " This 24 Hours light winds at 9 A M lowered and got a whale to the Larboard Boat at 4 P M spoke ship John Jay 12 whales So Ends

13th " This 24 Hours light winds saw a number of whales lowered three without success So Ends

14th " This 24 Hours light winds at 10 A M lowered and pulled about 3 miles So Ends

15th " First part with light winds at 4 A M discovered the Sky works to be on fire and immediately slipped it lose down the Sky works and set the Ensign

18th moderate & pleasant at 8 P.M. saw many squid took in the Sea by Seals and could kept the Ships do Ends

19th This 24 Hours fresh breezes & Hazy Weather the Ships boiling water and watch with as pretty easy times do Ends

20th This 24 Hours ditto do Ends

21st Fresh winds with many squids do Ends

22nd This 24 Hours pleasant weather at 7 oClock AM spoke Ship and got a barrel of Sugar 12 short Ships Passes to Boston Got Bread and commenced doing the Caywoods do Ends

23rd This 24 Hours fine weather as 12 noon the Mates Boat one killed a whale come yard alongside the Starboard do Ends

24th Light winds at 4 PM spoke ship Maid Madgosh 191 whale 500 Sperm do Ends

23d "This 24 Hours light winds at 7 AM spoke the Truman and got some Line & Clay Ld Ends

24 This 24 Hours light winds saw 3 whales lower for them but without success Ld Ends

25 This first part comm'd with fresh winds at 8 PM double reefs the Mizzen and lower for a Latitude gammed with my Dear and got on to the Starboard Tack and got the Waist Boat up at 11 PM lash'd them alongside Ld Ends

26th This 24 Hours light winds at 5 AM commenced cutting at 6 finished at 12 while Mr Truman was cutting in the 1st Whale at 1 PM lowered 3 Boats and got on board the Bow Boat at 6 finished cutting in at 8 Comm Boiling Ld Ends

27th This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant at 9 AM lowered and got a whale to the Waist Boat at ½ past 2 finished cutting in at 5 PM lowered again but without success 7 saw the Water and took in Sail Ld Ends

28th [illegible] all hands employed in setting up Shorts and Reefing a P.M. Carried Sail and took in ditto at 8 set the Watch fresh breezes So Amds

29th This 24 Hours fresh breezes employed in Boxing and Stowing down at 11 PM reefed down So Amds

30th This 24 Hours fresh breezes employed in stowing down under a close reefed Main Topsail and reefed at 3 PM finished Stowing down the 3 whales took in the Pinnace and Yawl at 8 PM set Watches So Amds

December

1st This 24 Hours more moderate and Fair at 8 AM set the Fore and Main Topsail double reefed at 8 set the watch Sat 3 hours Prog. 30 Miles So Amds

2nd This 24 light winds and Calm made sail bound to the Eastward saw plenty of Humpbacks at 5 PM took in Topsails So Amds

3 P.M. This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant weather at 6 AM saw Spy Glass at 7 AM spoke ship Bingham of New London 1191 Sperm 3 P.M. lowered for a school of Blackfish and fastened to one with the Starboard Boat and got her stove and killed 4 boats for 2 whales without success at 7 P.M. took in sail hoisted in 5 of them clewed down for Ends

4th " This 24 Hours light winds and pleasant weather saw several Sunfishes for Ends

5th " First part Comm with light breezes at 4 AM took in the M.T.G. Sail and lowered for a whale without success at 10 AM spoke Ship Good Return 23 whales Bilings and a ship Swindler of Fairhaven 20 whales cutting in at 2 P.M. spoke Barque White Oak Mattapoisett 2 whales light winds for Ends

6th " This 24 Hours light winds saw a ship to the windward of us cutting supposed to be the Milwood saw the Good Return cutting in at 10 AM lowered a side got a whale with the Starboard

6th " Boat at 5 fair heer sailing in at 7 shift Sheets
Chain Boiling Sylvester of Rochester Funnels
at 7 took in Sail Long 5 Yards to Ends

7th " Start first light winds at 5 AM made sail
at 10 Down for a gam[illegible] saw
saw Plenty of whales but it Coming on very hazy
gail could not lower Saw in sight at 5 PM
called down on west end with weather to Ends

8th " This 24 Hours same with the exception of Sailing

9th " First part light winds at 4 PM saw land Sailing
and spoke the Brig Baron Hatch of New York
7 Days out at 5 PM spoke ship Hannibal of
Nantucket with the Captain sick bound home
12 in Sales 750 Bbls fresh Horses to Ends

10th " This 24 Hours fresh breezes at 2 PM saw a sail
and got him with the Row Boats at 4 PM finished sailing
at 8 ete the watch 3 watches Long Days to Ends

11th " This 24 Hours a thick fog and both boats Ashore Ship Bows broke Hawsers &c Etc Ends

12th " This 24 Hours both boats and Squadron at Anchor Fishing Stowed down the Whales 110 Bbls Sat 35.18

13th " This 24 Hours Pleasant weather at 7 A.M. made sail and stood to the Westward So Ends

14th " This 24 Hours Clear and weather at 11 A.M. Pleasant gave chase to Whales bound to the West going quick So Ends

15th " This 24 Hours light winds at 7 A.M. bound but without success at 11 A.M. bore up and pushed to a school with the Bow Boat at 11 hours for and then pulled about 3 miles without success So Ends

16th " This 24 Hours spoke Ship Atlantic of Warren 350 Sperm 1 Bot Whales &c &c

17th " This 24 Hours more moderate at 11 A.M. bore up but without success at 1 P.M. bore up and pushed with the Bow Boat at 3 P.M. commenced Fishing So Ends

18th This 24 Hours fresh winds at 1 P M Lowered and got
one whale with the Bow Boat So Ends

19th This 24 Hours foggy all hands employed in
Boiling So Ends

20th This 24 Hours foggy all hands employed in
Boiling So Ends

21 This 24 Hours foggy at 3 P M lowered and got
a whale to the Bow Boat at 7 P M took him along
side and both in said So Ends

22nd This 24 Hours fresh breezes at 5 A M came cutting
at 9 finished cutting ship and shaped our course
for Bania at 11 A M passed Ship So Ends

23d This 24 Hours fine weather at 11 A M finished
Boiling So Ends

24th This 24 Hours fine weather employed in stowing
down at 4 P M finished in all 1350 Bbls So Ends
Lat 34. 20

25th " This 24 Hours fair w.r & Cloudy all hands employ
ed in Bundling Bone &c Ends

26th " This 24 Hours employed in washing ship &c Ends

27 This 24 Hours light winds sent up the Royal
Masts and Reeving Studd Booms &c Ends

28 This 24 Hours all hands employed in fitting
Rigging com.s with Watch & Watch &c Ends

29th " This 24 Hours light winds bent a new Main
Topsail &c Ends

30th This 24 Hours light winds bent a new Fo
resail and fit &c Ends

31st " This 24 Hours light winds all hands employ
ed in fitting Rigging &c Ends

January the 1st 1834.

This 24 Hours light winds course NW by W all hands employed in making sennit bound Lat 30°.00 Lo Ends

2nd This 24 Hours light winds at 6 AM saw a fresh breeze shoring up from the S with rain at the stern sails fresh winds & Ends

3d This 24 Hours fresh winds from the S & E at 6 PM Lat 25 Trade winds course North & Ends 10½ Knots

4th This 24 Hours fresh winds the Watch employed Long 9.00 in setting the rigging and washing the Boats & Ends

5th This 24 Hours fresh breezes employed in washing Lat 20.50 the Boats course NW by W wind S & Lo Ends

6th This 24 Hours squally all hands employed in reeving down the Fore & Main rigging Lat 19 61

7 This 24 Hours fine weather employed in Painting Ship course NW Lat 18 15 & Ends

8th " This 24 Hours light winds all hands employed in making scrubs brooms &c Ends

9th " This 24 hours light winds all hands employed in in Painting ships &c Ends Lat 15.54

10th " This 24 Hours light winds all hands employed in Painting ships &c Ends

11th " Employed in ships duty &c Ends Lat 15.12

12th " Employed in ships duty Long 27.14 Lat 14 13

13th " Employed in ships duty Lat 13.15 Long 29.12

14th " This 24 Hours light Airs at 4 PM overhauled the riggin Lat 12.10 &c Ends

15th " Employed in ships duty at 12 AM passed a small light winds Long 35.18 &c Ends

16 Employed in ships duty at 4 PM bent the starboard sheets &c Ends

17th " Employed in ships duty So Ends

18th " This 24 Hours light winds at 6 P.M made the Land close to Bahia So Ends

19th " This 24 Hours a fine breeze at 6 A.M made sail and stood in towards the land bent the Starboard cable on entering the Harbor saw a great number of fishing boats at 12 Oclock the shoals in 4 fathoms water at 3 P.M came to anchor close to the Frigate So Ends

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1st " At 10 A.M weighed our anchor and made sail light winds and pleasant So Ends

2nd " This 24 Hours pleasant weather all hands employed in fitting the boats and securing the anchors So Ends

3d " This 24 Hours fine weather at 4 P.M Mauritius school of Sperm Whales hove in sight but without success So Ends

4th " This 24 Hours fine weather employed in fitting the rigging &c Ends

5th " This 24 Hours fine weather employed in fitting the rigging &c Ends

6th " This 24 Hours squally weather &c Ends

7th " This 24 Hours squally weather employed in fitting the rigging &c Ends

8th " This 24 Hours pleasant weather at 6 PM spoke ship George Champlin of Newport 45 days from bound to the Pacific Ocean &c Ends

9th " This 24 Hours light wind and pleasant Lat 22.25 Long 30.00 West

10th " This 24 Hours pleasant weather &c Ends

11th " This 24 Hours fine weather &c Ends

12th " This 24 Hours squally &c Ends

13th This 24 Hours Squally employed in setting up rigging

14th This 24 Hours squally do Ends

15th This 24 Hours squally employed in making sail do Ends

16th This 24 Hours fine weather at 12 AM made the Tristan Islands do Ends

17th This 24 Hours light winds and fine weather went ashore and got some Potatoes do Ends

18th This 24 Hours fine weather fine went ashore and got some Potatoes do Ends

19th This 24 Hours fresh winds from SSE to our departure for the Mozambique Channell do Ends

20th This 24 Hours fresh winds employed in mending sails do Ends

22nd " This 24 Hours fresh winds employed in mending Sails &c Ends

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22nd " Employed in mending Sails &c Ends

23d " This 24 Hours fine weather employed in fitting the Rigging &c Ends

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24th " This 24 Hours fine weather employed in fitting the Rigging &c Ends

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25th " This 24 Hours fresh winds employed in fitting the Rigging &c Ends

26th " This 24 Hours employed in fitting the Rigging saw a numbers of Gonys &c Ends

27th " This 24 Hours fresh breares &c Ends

28th " This 24 Hours fresh breres &c Ends

29 This 24 Hours fresh winds &c Ends

30th " This 24 Hours fresh winds Employed the Seamen
Mixen Topsails &c Ends

31st " This 24 Hours fresh winds all hands employed in mending sails &c Ends

April
1st " This 24 Hours fresh winds and fair at 2 PM
Doubled the Cape &c Ends

2nd " This 24 Hours fresh winds and squally
Lousee Hs N E &c Ends

3d " This 24 Hours fresh winds Sow'ars the Top
Sails &c Ends

4th " This 24 Hours fresh winds wind shifted suddenly to W &c Ends

5th " This 24 Hours pleasant weather Saw a Sail
Steering S E &c Ends

6 This 24 Hours pleasant weather &c Ends

7th " This 24 Hours employed in picking Oakum So Ends

8th " This 24 Hours employed in tacking in steering sails So Ends

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9th " This 24 Hours light winds Lick in the Waste Boat to mail So Ends

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10th " This 24 Hours light winds employed in setting up the Bob Stays So Ends

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11th " This 24 Hours light winds at 4 P.M. took in sails for the night So Ends

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12th " This 24 Hours light winds and cloudy weather at 8 A.M made sail at 10 A.M the 3d Mate saw a school of Sperm Whales came 4 Boats but with out success at 4 P.M loosed again without success at 6 P.M took in sail So Ends

15th " Fair but moderate at 6 P.M. made sail and at 10 P.M. made the Island of Madagascar bore N. 25 fathoms of water Hove about and stood off Light variable fresh winds & Fair

16th " This 24 Hours fresh winds at 3 P.M. Reefed the Mizen Topsail & Ends

15th " This 24 Hours fresh winds at 6 A.M. set double Reefed Topsails Kept away for the channel

16th " This 24 Hours fresh winds & double Reefed Topsails & Ends

17th " This 24 Hours moderate and fair weather employed in fitting the Rigging & Ends

18th " This 24 Hours fresh winds at 11 A.M. saw a school of Sperm Whales Lowered but without success & Ends

19th " This 24 Hours fresh breezes at 1 P.M. made
Cape Corrientes So Ends

20th " First part fresh winds at 10 P.M. spoke Ship
Mary & Ann of New Buryport 25 Days from
at 11 took in sail So Ends

21st " This 24 Hours light winds this day comm
enced the Main Topsail So Ends

22nd " This 24 Hours light winds at 6 P.M. spoke
Ships N. America of Warren James Stewart
of St Johns Endeavour of N Bedford Jno
at 6 P.M took in sail So Ends

23d " This 24 Hours light winds ships in sight

24th " This 24 Hours light winds saw several Bla
ck fish So Ends

25th " This 24 Hours light winds So Ends

26th This 24 Hours fresh winds & Cloudy in the M Ly Sail and set the watch So Ends

27th This 24 Hours fresh winds & P.M. a heavy squall and sudden shift of wind from the W. So we S.W. & Cloudy in all sail and Hove Too So Ends

28 This 24 Hours more moderate at daylight sets the Foresail So Ends

29th This 24 Hours more moderate sets single Reefed Topsails and Kept off the Land So Ends

31th This 24 Hours squally Stood off from the Land at 4 P.M. Cloudy in sail So Ends

May 1st This 24 Hours fine weather Saild in sight So Ends

2nd This 24 Fresh light winds and several Vessells So Ends

3d " This 24 Hours light winds so Ends

4th " This 24 Hours light winds so Ends

5th " This 24 Hours light winds at 7 A.M. spoke
with Ramus of N Bedford 1100 Bls so Ends

6th " This 24 Hours employed in setting up
the Head Stays so Ends

7th " This 24 Hours light winds saw a Ship to
the windward a boiling so Ends

8th " This 24 Hours fresh winds and squally so Ends

9th " This 24 Hours fresh winds so Ends

10th " This 24 Hours light winds finished the
new Main Topsail so Ends

11th " This 24 Hours light winds spoke Ship
Portland of Salisbury so Ends

12th " This 24 Hours fresh winds and squally &c &c

13th " This 24 Hours fresh winds &c Ends

14th " This 24 Hours more moderate &c Ends

15th " This 24 Hours light winds and fine weather at 7 AM saw a school of Sperm Whales lowered and got 2 to the Starboard 1 to the Larboard and 1 to the Bow Boat struck them alongside and commenced cutting &c &c

16th " This 24 Hours light winds at 6 AM came Boiling &c Ends

17th " This 24 Hours fresh winds at 1 AM came to Layed in Boiling &c Ends

18th " This 24 Hours light winds at 1 AM came to Boiling at 7 AM lowered for whales but without success at 3 PM spoke Ship Peru 1500 Whale 250 Sperm &c Ends

19th " This 24 Hours light winds & Fair

20th " This 24 Hours light winds all hands
employed in Stowing down & Fair

21st " This 24 Hours light winds & Fair

22nd " This 24 Hours light winds at 4 P.M. saw
the Dames Island bare S 56 Blks when
was alongside at 7 o'clock A.M with S.W.B.

23d " This 24 Hours light winds & sail in Light
& Fair

24th " This 24 Hours light winds & Fair

25th " This 24 Hours light winds got a whale
to the Starboard Boats & Fair

26th " This 24 Hours employed in cutting
on Boiling & Fair

27th " This 24 Hours fresh winds & mostly fair
Bailing So Ends

28th " This 24 Hours more moderate & Fair
Ebb down So Ends

29th " This 24 Hours fresh winds between NNE
& Moren Topsails So Ends

30th " This 24 Hours fresh winds So Ends

31st " This 24 Hours both winds So Ends

June
1st " This 24 Hours fresh winds both inds
Topsail So Ends

2nd " This 24 Hours more moderate So Ends

3d " This 24 Hours fine weather set unds Spoke
at 3 P M bore ds for a Sperm whale but without
success So Ends

4th This 24 Hours fine weather Saw in sight Do Town

5th This 24 Hours light winds at 5 A M Lowered for a school of Sperm whales and got one to the Starboard Boat Do Ends

6th This 24 Hours light winds employed in Boiling at 10 A M finished Do Ends

7th This 24 Hours light winds employed in stowing down Do Ends

8th This 24 Hours light winds at 7 A M Saw hove to stowing down in all 1 Whale at 11 A M saw a large water spout This is Sunday Do Ends

9th This 24 Hours fresh winds shaped our course for Cape Corrientes Do Ends

10th This 24 Hours fresh breezes Course W N W Do Do Ends

11th This 24 Hours strong winds & hazy Weather
ship Nassau K 1st D.B. Chase W.S.W. Chase
Galleon of New Brunswick and Barque
Swan Klin of Dechester to Ends

12th This 24 Hours strong winds & fair
Double reefed the Topsails to Ends

13th This 24 Hours light Airs & fair
lowered for a school of Sperm Whales and
got on to the Starboard Board at 3 com
menced cutting at Blubber to Ends

14th This 24 Hours light variable & fair finished
Cutting and spoke ship Clara to Ends

15th

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1839 — 1840

13 June 1839.

Joseph Howland took Commissa Schooner Eliza 193. 44/95 Tons her length 76 ft 2 In, her Breath 19 ft 2 In Depth 7 ft 10 Inches, was built at Pevoy [7 miles above Eastport] Sch Maine in 1836. & owned by Asa Lawton Joseph Dunbar. William R. Cotch & Henry Ludlum of Richmond ——

Wednesday 26.

Sailed from N Bedford for Norfolk & Richmond 26 day of June 1839 with part of a cargo Consisting of Sperm Whale & Fanners Oil 200 Casks Nails 50 boxes Sperm Candles. arrived at Norfolk Monday July 1st a pleasent passage 5 days Wednesday 3 left for Richmond & arrived Sat Night at 12. Three days passage.

Sunday 7th fine pleasant Weather went to the Bethel had a good sermon but few of the seafaring Brethren Attended

Monday 8th finish discharging our Cargo Tuesday 9 took out all the ballast & took in 200 Bls flour

Wed 10th took on board 596 Bls finished stowing the hole which Contains 720 Bls. Clear weather but very warm

Thursday 11th

took on board 134 Bls for exit freight which completed our Cargo. 854 Bls

Friday 12 th

Sailed for St Beaufort Took a pilot by Name Bryant Smart of a gentleman

8 Monday 15 at 2 PM came to anchor under Sands point Wind Eastward

Tuesday 16

all this day wind to Eastward

Wednesday 17th at 6 am

Sailed at 12 Night 10 miles from Smiths Island

Arrived in ct Beaufort Sunday Morning
21th July a remarkable pleasant passage
of 4 days Set sqrs Sail when of Hog Isld
& when nearly up with Clarks point Took it in
Tuesday 23d finish unloading

Wednesday 24
Took in board 12 Tons Stone Ballast
& left 56 Bls flour on board to be sold at
Eastport & purchase Plaster
Friday 26th at 9 am Set
Sail from ct Beaford for Eastport at 8 PM
looking Dry from Chatham Lights
Sunday 28th
all this day Dely & fair weather at 7 am had
a prayer Meeting on the quarter Deck before
breakfast at 4 PM Made Mount Desert
Rock at 7 PM had another Meeting on the
Quarter deck had a very solem time & how good
it is to work in My Heavenly Fathers kingdom
how richly we are rewarded while doing so. &
what Blessings is he preparing for us against the
time we get into his Heavenly Kingdom

Monday 29th

at 5 P.M arrived in the west Harbour of Machias the reason of our coming in here it had the appearance of a Storm & sure enough we had a Stormy night it is pleasent to get into a snug harbour when a Storm is gathering especially on such an Iron bound Coast as this is. O how Good the Lord is to guide me & preserve me, how can I be grateful enough to him for his kind care over a poor worm of the dust

Tuesday 30 Commences with rain & Fogs at 8 am Lightened up a little got under way in Company with a Topsail Schooner Soon after going out of the Harbour Came in a very thick fog so that it was with difficulty I could see the Schooner a few rods from us but the last being was acquainted Pollan tion at 3 P.M heard the great bell ring at West Quoddy head in a few moments the Schooner being in Shore was seen right on to the Rocks & when the fog Whistle was not her length from the breakers I Immediately put with her

& in a moment as it were I discovered 2 large Rocks about 10 feet out of water on our each bow I concluded that the Eliza was gone but the Capt of the schooner sings out go Starboard them I did so then the bell began to ring & we began to blow our horns & in a few moments we ran out of a dense Fog into Clear weather Driven west Quaddy Head at 6 PM made at Lubeck rejoiced to get into Port. Praise the Lord O my Soul for thy Blessings Powers thy servt

P S. before getting under way this Morning I held a prayer Meeting & a hospitality time to my Soul I committed Myself Crew & Vessell to the care of him whose penetrating Eyes sees & beholds the ways of poor Mortal Man. Ask he will guide me safe over these tempestious Seas & will permit me at last to Dye in my own house with my Little family that they may have the Blessings of a Father & see him expire in the triumphs of Faith going home to rest the rich reward of his Labours here below

Thursday 31 July

this day thick foggy weather Came into the wharf Sold My Plaus at 6 dollars pr 131 & Discharged & likewise My Ballast & Scuttled into the Stream to be ready to take in My Cargo Consisting of Plaister which I have agreed to give 112½ ℔ pr Ton

Thursday August 1th 1839

All this 24 hours Pleasant weather Schooner Lion hauled along side & took on board 25 tons of the balance of Her Cargo at 3 PM the Brig Caledonia arrived with 150 tons she came along Side & took in board in the afternoon 22 tons

August Friday 2

took on board 63 tons which completed our Cargo of 120 tons finished at 6 PM

Saturday 3

finished Trimming the Plaister this day employed in preparing to Sail Settle up with My Merchant Charles L King Sales of Plaus $348.00

120 tons Plaister 112½ ℔ $195.00

Draft Brett & Vose 140.00

My Bill Insurance 13.00 348 00

Saturday Continued

at 1 PM got into the Ferry Boat & sailed
up to East Port distance of 3 Miles beheld the
ruins & destruction which the great fire has
recently Made I then went & paid Elder Kelton
a visit of one & half hours had a very
pleasant interview with him & Family he insisted
hard for me to stay over the Sabath but duty
called me away returned back in board the same
boat had 2 ladys on board & feeling my mind
a considerable exercised I soon entered into conversation
about religion I told them the happiness that there
was in Loving & serving the Lord & what I myself
enjoyed I found their Minds very tender & they
soon began to weep. I encouraged them to seek the Lord
with all their Hearts & he would be found of them
one of them had a young Child in her arms &
When about half way it came on a heavy Shower
of Rain & in an open boat & only 1 umbrella which
I had I spread it & gave it to them which they
were grateful for. & I myself got a fine Soaking
however being an old Sea Dog did not mind it especially
when I had such a good opportunity to converse about
religion to the Ladys. It is my Boat & Drink to do so

~~Monday~~ Sunday Aug 4th

Set sail at Sunrise went through the narrows without a pilot fine pleasant weather heard at 10 all am wind SW at 4 PM past Libby Id about 9 Miles from Bowers all heavy sea and large schooner had been away for a harbour at ½ past 4 bore away for Machias Harbour at 6 and arrived a short distance astern of the schooner; the evening held a prayer in the Cabin so ends the day

Monday 5th

Light winds from SW at 6 am got under way at 8 past Libby Id wind hauled to SW & the appearance of a Storm at 7 PM wind shifted in a squall to N & in a few Moments back to SW & from that time until Wednesday 7 had fog & Rain at times heard of & saw Agamaticus hills at 6 past 1st to soon I judge the first I ever saw it so ends the day

Thursday 8

and at 4 AM past Cape Ann Light at 7 Mann high Lands Cape Cod S. white in 50 fathoms At E pm cape went to fishing & caught 24 Cod & Haddock it being Calm at 5 wind came & began to thicken up & Rain came weather look like a blow & in Company with a large number of vessels coasted beating down the Cape at Midnight wind S.W came foggy

It was this day

Friday 9 Thermometer Lowers pm 55 & foggy Flood of Sea at 1 am Lighted up & found ourselves about 3 miles to N.E of Chatham Lights & about 30 Sail of vessels in sight most of them Lower over Shoals it soon became foggy again we Kept beating to windward Lost sight of vessels & when with about 3 miles of it became Squally & Thunderous showers Rain with Thunder & Light wind S.W at 10 past the sky it being a western Head & a considerable Sea it came to Shoal to brake & Roar insomuch to frighten one that was not acquainted with them

& when popping Several reps & got almost out of our reckning it all at once Lifted up we saw where we were about 3 miles to the E by S of Barrowway point it then shut in thick foggy again. we soon past the Stone Horse Lying up NW & SW I seen that caused & Calculated that I was past the Handkerchief Shoal it Lifted up in a moment which Showd me that I was Past on board of the Shoal & the bay on the West-side of it was one quarter of a Mile on my Larboard Bow I just had time to put my helm aweather & Come about & Clear it 3 Minutes longer She would have been Aboard & past & the probability she would been lost. O how good the Lord is to rescue me from danger we Might a Shot talk of them Bow about Shut down foggy again for about an hour & then Lifted up & the fog all clear'd off the wind began to blow very fresh we could to go into Weyanus Bar & Bring came to anchor Glad to get into Port. there found a number of Vessels bound Westward so end this day, much having Prayer Meeting in the Cabin

Saturday 10 August

Stiff breeze from NNW & Clear weather at 10 AM got under way it was a blowing so fresh that the other vessels bound Westward could not get under way Made Several tacks from the Horseshoe to the Main Gas & was standing towards it when end of the Shoe I saw the tips of it & went past the end of it the tide setting rapidly to Westward there was a nother tip in the wake of — Sure being to windward of us in a Moment She brought up it being about High I was fearfull that she was gone for good there being a considerable sea She kept working astern to Sanitbird & then brought up again we Hauld down the Mainsail Kept head Sails up Shortly then head began to pay off & work till before the wind the Sea kept lifting her Hoisted the Mainsail directly she Steered herself & much pleased to get out of that dangerous place Tryed the pumps found She made no water. & at Sunset & the very last of the tide came to anchor in Darpotion Cove. Shortly took 2 Men with Myself & went on Shore & up to the Light House the Keeper was just lighting his

lamps he was a Man about 50 Years Old with only one Leg had Lost the other in Dartmoor Prison in the last War he ask us into his House we went in to see his wife & 9 Children soon found that he & his companion were Religious that of Course became the Topic of the evening discourse at 9 he gave the Bible to one of his daughters to read a Chapter then our prayer Meeting commenc'd & we had a refreshing Season we broke up at ½ past 10 I gave a Exhortation & one prayer the prayed once & one of my Sailors gave an exhortation O how good it is for Brethren to meet together & Worship the Lord of Hosts we return'd on board & at 11 P.M. got under way at 12 went through Brickses Hole at 7 A.M. arrived along Side Beafsia West, the Cause of our Stopping at this Place was on account of Provisions & having the wind ahead & knowing it was unsuitable to Spend a Sabath with my family & Friends. & I must Say that it was one happy Sabbath days rest to my Soul a day long to be remembered O how my heart was exercis'd at 6 Clock prayer Meeting with the Spirit of God. O how our hearts are filled with heavenly food

whose we Have to be faithfull to our Lord & Master

Monday 12th August

All this day Wind S.W. blowing fresh got all our necessary supplys. had a very pleasant time in going round to see my Sick Brethren & those that were Old & feeble & Exorting & praying with them what a consolation to them & myself in the evening visited my Partner & Brother Sung a hymn gave an Exhortation & prayed with them for the first time. & had a very happy interview with them this is the way that Christians that professes to Love the Lord ought to do, praise the Lord for strength that enables me to perform these requirements that are binding upon me. to perform towards my fellow creatures

Dearest Lord how pleasant it is to work in thy Vineyard we get richly rewarded here & the Praise of Eternal Glory hereafter

Tuesday 13 wind Shifted in the
course of the Night & it is now at dirt &
was am took my leave of my family & set
Sail at 7 am with a prosperous time to Make a
speedy passage & have every thing works together
for good to them that loves the Lord all this
day fair wind

Wednesday 14th

all this day good Breezes from East & all
Fair Set

Thursday 15th All this day a pleasant
of a Storm with Stiff Breezes from East
& heavy sea & great quantity came on board
of us at 1 PM I found that we were some
distance from Land we had been Steering
S W. we hauled in W at 3 PM Made Hog Isld
at 4 Made Smith Isld half past 5 am past
Cape Henry at 8 am past the Light Boat began
to Rain quite hard & blow at 9 Came to anchor
in Hampton Roads weather looking very bad
at 12 heavy Gale, I beheld the goodness of
my Heavenly Parent in protecting me from Danger
he sent a brisk gale it was 1 minute past before the
Gale came on heavy

Friday 16th August

Commences with heavy gales from E to E attended with heavy Rains at 2 am it was blowing to such a degree it seemed almost impossible for a vessel to hold on to her Moorings at 4 do Still increasing a heavy Sea running made a fair breach over our decks at 5 Shifted to do Still increasing & hauling on to a Hawser in order to work to windward at 6 Lighted up a little so that I got the bearings of Sewels Point in case I should be obliged Slip My cable & run on Shore at ½ past 6 Lighted up in SW wind began to backen to Westward Stopt raining but Still blowing a heavy gale at 10 rather more moderate determined not to lay here any longer here up as the flood tide had made & went to beating I got about 5 Miles above New-port News & it blew so heavy I was obliged to run to Anchor however I anchored in Shoal water with Mud at 1 PM began to moderate veered to at 6 Moorings at 7 got under way with wind WSW ran up 6 miles to point Shoals Came to Anchor at 10 PM. do not a gale I have escaped if I had been caught outside the

the Coast with this Load of Provisions there is no
doubt but that we all would have been lost
by Heavenly Father preserving our Lives
gave us a quick passage with Just to Sam-
us praises be this 13th Jesus Name for
his Kindness Mercy & loving Kindness towards us
in preserving us from the dust

Sat 17

Light Winds got up to 7 with such come
to Anchor

Sunday 18

Light Winds down River beat the Tide out
Came to Anchor Power end of Windmill north
at ½ past 10 Saw a Number of Men on Shore
when there was a Large Raft of Logs & Canoe
up by my Mind that I would go on Shore & hold
a Meeting consequently I dressed myself took
2 of my Men Shore ran went & told them my Intention
they assisted much Head of the privilege of having
a Meeting. There was one white Man & 2 Negroes there
Just left I sent on express after them & they soon
return back. we then prepared Benches enough
to accomodate all with Seats near an Oak
tree & when they got all Seated I took my

That evening one of the two there was 15 in all which made quite a number. I spent the meeting by reading a Chapter then reading & singing a hymn then prayer then singing again & then addressed them in my weak & feeble manner about ½ hour & the poor Lord stood by me & it is recorded in this Rebecca book upon your mouths & it shall be fit & I found it so. & then sang again & then by prayer, after I gave them a short exhortation reminded them of the great privilege that we had enjoyed this blessed Sabbath Day that the proceedings would be on record in the great book of Eternity. that on the Bank of James River & unan such a sea & upon a certain Sabbath day morning a Storm came on there from a Schooner & then warned me faithfully by preaching praying & to make my peace with God. I took an affectionate leave of them reminded them of the great meeting again at the Judgment day Return on board Satisfyed with what I had done in trying to do good to my fellow beings we soon got under way & traveled up the River

Came to anchor [illegible] Just below City
Point this Morning - - - - - - - -

Monday 19

All this day fine Pleasant weather
got under way at Sunrise light wind
from E at 8 PM Came to anchor 39
Miles from Richmond & 14 by Road anch
& Rainy - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Tuesday 20

at Sunrise got under way Light wind, crown
River at 9 PM Came to anchor 10 Miles below
Richmond

Wednesday 21

at Daylight got under way light airs
up River at 2 PM arrived at Richmond
a Serious passage up river but we had
much better have it in this season at Sea

Thursday 22

All this day Cloudy Employed Discharging
our Master

Friday 23

employed in charging our Cargo

Sat 24 August

all this day fine pleasant weather

all hands employed in cleaning

Sunday 25th

All this day fine pleasant weather

the day devoted In Joining the Lord.

in going to the Bethel Chapel. reading

the Bible. praying & singing Psalms.

& discussing upon Religious Subjects.

in the afternoon Service at the Bethel Brother

Brad Davis Preached his Sermon he requested Bro to

Make the concluding Prayer which I did

& when the meeting was Over & before the

congregation went out I ask if there was

any Brother or Sister that wish to have

a Prayer Meeting either of their Houses & should

be Glad to Send to attend it, finaly it was

appointed in the Bethel. I must confess that

I had rather it had been in a private room

but as it was appointed there we endeavored

to try to do the best that my weak abilitys would

permit Me knowing that my Heavenly Father

would assist Me & All that will faithfully

serve Him. at 4 past 7 PM the Church was

Sighthia up. I was up by 5 but the first one that was there. two of My Sailors with another came in. Shortly after 8 & in a few minutes after 3 young Ladys came in I sang part of a hymn & it was some time before any more came. I began to think that I should not have many hearers but I found to the contrary for it was not long before the house was pretty well filled. I almost began to wish that I had not been so hasty in appointing this Station. However it turned out different from what I first calculated as I rented it in a private House. However the Lord gave me Confidence up I went into the Pulpit. Read a hymn Requested some one to pitch the tune but no one Stood I then Commenced Singing myself I soon had help & Sang out very well I then Read a Chapter then prayed had great liberty in praying then read another hymn Soon sang I Then Commenced My discourse to the congregation. About the Salvation of their Souls, the great mission of our Dear Redeemer coming into this world the gospel that he established while in the World & the happy effects it has produced upon those who embraced it. & the Glory that

that they would enjoy in the Eternal World
by living faithfull in this & the awfull
Consequences attending those that neglected it.
My discourse was about half an hour long
& then Closed by Prayer I had great freedom
while working in my Master Vineyard & was
blest in My own Soul in so doing, & believe that
I gave a general Satisfaction to the congregation.
the Church is on the Presbyterian Order their
Pastor is an excellent Man. but this Labours
appear not to be much blest to the Members of
the Church are mostly People of the Colly but
a few Reasoning Men I had many invitations
from the Members to call & see them & to hold
Meetings & the Rope Good Lord will crown
a Glorious work among them & that I may
be the instrument in his hands in doing some
Good among them & where ever I go

Monday Aug 26

fine pleasant weather finished discharging & hauled over on the Opposite Side of the river to the Coal yard & took on board 12.00 Bushels Coal So ends the day

Tuesday 27

at 3 PM finished taking in our Coal amounting to 25.00 Bushels. we then hauled back & Came on very Small heavy Squalls of wind & rain & blew for about 6 hours at all points of the Compass. So ends the day

Wednesday 28

Pleasant weather Took on board 168 lbs flour So ends the day

Thursday 29 finished loading took on board 77 136 flour 28 bags tobacco at 4 PM Set Sail with a fresh gale ran over River attended with Rain at 8 PM Came to anchor in the Devils reach in Consequence of a dark night & blowing a gale wind at A E E

Friday 30 August

at 8 Am got under way blowing very hard at 12 past City Point more moderate at 8 PM Came to anchor below James Town where I will took their Leave that Said the day before me.

Saturday 31

Commence light winds from S Southwest weather at Sunrise got under with the other vessels at 1 PM Came to anchor off Newport News Light houses S the wind fair Braking against no went on Shore & got a Quantity of fruit at 4 ao Clock Braced ob got under way good Soaking house from E S at 8 ao Came to anchor under Jewels Point where we found a Number of vessels waiting for a fair wind to go to Sea

Sunday 15th August
at 8 AM got under way with the
George Cost Steady & at 10 arrived
at Norfolk went immediately on Shore
with a passage Read Mr Tyler &
proceeded up to the Methodist Church
had a good discourse return on board
in afternoon went to a Methodist
Colored Meeting in the Vestry of
the Church It was Sacrament with
them attended by a White person
about 200 attended & after about
half of the Church had partook they
began to get pretty noisy & one fem
ale in particular got into such
elevated strains She began to halloo
& jump up & down so long that she was
Completely exausted & pointed away &
after She came to She began again
& kept at intervals while the Meeting Sat
Returned on board Sing the
Evening Held a prayer meeting in the
Cabin

Monday 2nd Sept 1839

all this day fresh breezes from N E bought & took on board 116 Casks Pork fine weather & several Sail of Ranked Vessels came in from Sea & stood was out in the Bay got. Friday 30th Aug

Tuesday 3

all this day fresh Gales at E attended with Rain Several More Ranked Vessels arrived

Wednesday 4

at 8 AM got under way in Company with 30 Sail of Vessels bound to Sea Blind South & Clearey at 8 PM Past Cape Henry Bearing W Bore 8 a heavy Swell Heaving in at 7 AM with Cape in the N E past 8 AM Smith Island Bore W by S distance 8 Miles with Land to ESE from Hat to SE at 12 Squally Sounds the Day

Thursday 5 all this day fine pleasant weather with SW 5 Knots 13 Bore

Friday 6 AM. This day
fine pleasant weather wind SW
5 Knots Bowse

Saturday 7 Commences with
Squally weather heavy Showers of
Rain wind WSW with thunder &
lightning at 3 AM made Montauk
Light bearing E by E at 10 AM past
Block Id at 9 PM past Clocks found
& in a few Moments the wind Shifted
into NE & immediately a fog came
on we made two tacks up room &
came to anchor off Block Island
Id at ½ past 10 and at my own house &
Blow and the Lord is to
bring Me into the port Safe & Just in
time to shun this thick weather

Sunday 8th Morning fog & wind
NE went on board at 6 AM got under
Way Made one tack & fetch up to town at
½ past 7 AM, at 10 Showers of Rain & fresh
Breezes at 2 PM wind SE at 3 heavy
Showers at ½ past 4, Clear up a little
Sunday the 9th

Wednesday 9 Thursday 10 Wed 11
finished discharging our Cargo
Thursday 12
Took on board 20 Tons of Stone ballast
discharg'd my 2 Sailors that has been
with me ever since I have been in the
Schooner & Ship 2 others in their room
one by the Name Alexander Barnes on that
was with me last winter in the Gorilla
& have experienced Religion on the voyage
but after we arrived home he shipped on
board the revenue Cutter as Boatswain
got with his Company & became dissipated
again O that I may be the instrument
in my Redeemer hands of reclaiming him
the other Name Emanuell
Friday 13 first gales from
N.N.E & E.N.E
Saturday 14th @ 10 am Set
Sail for Lubeck. Light winds from
Southard & pleasent weather at 2 PM
went through woods Hole took the N.
Channell at Sunset past the Bishop & 3
Clerks 12 Rocks

at 8 past the West end of Hkf Shoal
at ½ past 9 past Portlock Rk ½ past 10
past Chatham Lights Light Bruce ~~at~~

Sunday 15th

Converses with Light Bruce from SSW
& pleasant weather at 2 AM past Hawett
Lights at 4 as they bore SW dist 14 Miles
wind began to lessen Steered E & for 2 watches
at ½ past 7 AM a delightfull Morning had
a prayer Meeting on the Quarter deck.
O how good it is to try to serve the
Lord & find him the God of the Sea
as well as of the Land. it appears that
he has Given the Aborigines & Seas Charge
Concerning me as I am so wonderfully
preserved from Storms & tempests while
Sailing on the great deep. all the afternoon
past Goes with all sail Set going 8 & 9
Knots pr hour at Sunset took in Squaresail
& main gaff topsail at ½ past 9 PM
made Mount desert Rock Light bearing
N.E & Latter part Cloudy appearance of a
Storm so ends the day.

Monday 16 Commenced first-gales & Cloudy at ½ past 1 am made Moose Peak Light which is revolving & bearing N E at ½ past 2 am past it. & made Libby Is Light 20 Minutes past 3 am past the Light & made on Big Sturboard Bow - 2 Lights on the Seal Is D which are in the english Peninsys at 6 am past the Light on west Quoddy Head at 7 am & came to anchor at Lubeck a remarkable Short-passage 45 hours in afternoon & Evening thick foggy weather. found no Harbor at Lubeck held a prayer Meeting in Cabin

Tuesday 17

All this 24 hours wind at South thick foggy Weather got under way & sailed up to the Factory Mills about 2 Miles these Mills are on a very Extensive Scale in high Course of this they have ground 600 Bls plaster in 24 hours. & the Cabins Establishment boils 54 Bls per day a Saw Mill Likewise Erected to saw out Lumber & circular Saws to saw the Staves for the Casks they are all Imployed for the Coopers to set up So that they

only have to set up the staves round the heads & put them in & bottom of & one man will turn of 30 pr day which he get 12½ Cents each

Wednesday 18th

all this day hours fog & rains wind at SE.

we are waiting for plaister in consequence of a Schooner loading before us this afternoon a number of plaister vessels came down this Evening went up to a Brother Mr Gregors & [illegible] Held a prayer Meeting his family Consisted of Himself Wife & 6 Sons & all of them belongs to the Cal. Baptist Church 2 of my Sailors attended & we had a very Interesting Season although I had to do all the praying & Exorting. the next day after I was informed that Brother Mr Gregor was an ordain. Minister

Thursday 19

Comences with Shours of Rain & fog at 10 am a Schooner Came in with plaister from Grand Ca in the Creek & we hailed from the wharf & got a Negroe to take the plaister in board we found the Schooner began to heal so much we could not take it in we then attempt

to haul along side the wharf got ground
ourselves and are now all hauld down
Braddah, past pleasent at 2 PM Row
with the Schooner headd down on Larboard
Side got out on the platt & walk'd round
her found her Fore Shewing the forward
end was Shove 2/3 the width of it to Starbd
& Several feets ground out of her Shewing
not only that but I observed that She was
Hog on Larboard Side by heading down
although swept Hole when She in Station
found She Leaked at 4 an Hand along
Side the wharf & took on board 21 Casks
ground plaister the Schooner that had
the plaister on board got under way &
went back to Lubbock to wait for us
at Sun We went with 3 Baptist
Brethren about one mile to a prayer
Meeting held in a Small Church
there was about 30 Citizens there
quite an interesting Meeting I inform
in prayer & exortation there was a
Sister that belongs to the Christian church

at Lubbock by the name of. Davis was very gifted in Exortation She united being Baptized to the Presbyterian Church at Lubbock I have not learned away & I was told that there was but one Living Member that belong to it most of them was Joined the Christian Communion Now. Neither of the two Churches has any Minister but the brethren of the Christian Church had their Meeting on the Sabath day in the Church. there is a good field for Labours if Some Christian Minista would come a Large Church might be gathered, there is many good brethren here Brother Gower which is very wealthy. & Brother Hunt Brother Mc Gregor [illegible] to a prayer meeting this morning there [illegible] & Sisters in the [illegible] a good Lecture

Friday 20th 1839

Commences with fine pleasant
Weather wind at South at 8 AM
finishd taking in the remainder of our
Ground Plaister & warpd out of the
Creek & on Larboard point going out
there lyes a large Schooner which
had a full Cargo of Ground Plaister
& could not in attempting to go out of
the Creek unfortunately sail got
on the point of Rocks broke her
Keel out & sunk her & damaged all
the plaister. we ran down about
a mile ran along side of our plaister
Schooner & commenced & taking on board
& at 4 PM took all out of her Amounting
to 47 tons No more plaister down
So ends the day

Saturday 21

Commences with Light Airs from
N W & fair weather 3 plaister
Schooners arrived & one came along side
& the plaister was so low I turned it of

at 11 fresh Breeze from S at 3 Moderate at 4 an hour & Calm at Sunset Appearance of a Storm had a new Jibboom Made Cost 5.40 Cents & Bro't it on board So ends the day

Sunday 22d Sept

First part Light Breezes & Cloudy Middle & Latter part fresh gales from S. & Plaister Schooner arrived & Sold one for Mr Fowler & Root but it was not such a quality as would answer Platinum Market therefore I could not take it Myself & 2 of My Sailors attended 3 Prayer Meetings in the Christian Church they have no Pastor but Hold their meetings regular in Church & improve by the brethren & there are Blest in So doing Simproved in all of them & enjoy Myself Much with with them many good gifts among them

Monday 23 Sept 1839

Commences with heavy gales & Cloudy wind
at S.S.W at 10 Am more moderate
Clears of pleasant one plaister Showers
wind not for us but with Abundance Blue Sailes
as we want at 11 Abm. A.M got in the
Gibsons & in Course of the afternoon
got the new one out Latter part light
airs from South & pleasant so ends the day

Tuesday 24

All this day fine pleasant weather
Abm. Variable Myself & one of
My sailors went up the bay about
2 Miles & caught 70 Codfish in the
Course of 2 hours

Wednesday 25

All this day fine pleasant weather
wind Variable 2 of My Sailors & my
self left the yacht about 10 Clock rowd
about 1½ Mile & caught upwards of
70 Bass at 2 PM. My Mate & 2 men
went again & caught 150 & returned upon
board

Myself Wife at 2 PM got into the
the Ferry Boat & at 3 we arrived at
East port went immediately up to Elder
Kellons House found him at home
& well & all his family we then took
a pleasant walk all over the town
saw a good many of the Brethren of the
Church & was introduced to them in our
Walk came across 2 Brethren of the
Christian connexion Elder Smith
who resides about 20 Miles off &
Elder Frost who resides 20 Miles
above Augusta on the Kenebeck
river, & in the evening held a prayer
Meeting in a Bedroom room seperate
from the Church Elder Frost opened
the Meeting by prayer & then gave a
short discourse Sat down & Myself
arose next & gave in my Testimony
which followed & we had a very pleasant
Sociable Meeting God & Sweet Home
& Days with Elder Kellon & what a
pleasant family he has to enjoy
our

Thursday 26 Sept

Commenc with fresh Breezes from East attended with rain took breakfast with the family then the Elder read a Chapter in English we then sang a Hymn & then engaged to pray which I of Course did after the Elder & Myself went down to the Wharf to see when the Boat would start for Lubeck & the ferryman informed us he would go in one hour & half we then went up to a Brethren House there we found Elder Frost & Elder Smith & we had a very pleasant interview until it was time to go I took My leave of them except Elder Ritter who went with me to the Ferry Boat where we parted. at 11 arrived at Lubeck when it first stopt raining at 1 PM got along side of the Schooner to get ready to commence Loading the wines Came on to blow so hard we were obliged to Cast off from the Shore & continued the same until night to blow & rain at Sunset wind veered N at midnight Clear

Friday 27th

Oct. This day fresh gales from SSW & appearance of a Storm the Schooner came along side & commenced loading at 4 PM got all our Cargo in. consisting of 100 Tons of rock Plaister & 50 Casks of ground Plaister weighing 12½ Tons amounting to 112½ Tons ——————

100 Tons	175 Plaister	$175
50 Casks ground 500 lb	125	62.50
		$237.50

at 7. in the evening was the regular prayer Meeting with the Church at Brother Mr Gregors House & Elder Frost came over in the canoe & the Meeting with Brigetty & myself & Mr Gregor took up a considerable part of the Meeting as it was a number of years since he last was here. Brigetty as customary with her when there is a Social prayer meeting to always have a word to say in favour of Big Lord & Master. & to hold him up to the world as the one altogether lovely & chiefest among ten Thousand.

Saturday 28 Sept

Commences with fresh winds at N.W & Cloudy unsettled weather finishes Flowy our Plants away & getting ready to Sail at 11 AM wind at N.W unsettled & Set Sail in Company with a Number of vessels bound at different ports to west & one small Schooner bound to Richm.d at 6 AM got up with Little River Island At 7 S.W at 8 W.S.W at 9 W.S.W at 10 it W.W at 12 it going 6 Knots so ends this day. Moderate & W.S.W

Sunday 29.

Commences with fine Breezes from W.S.W & Pleasant weather all Sail Set at 5 AM made Mount desert rock Light at 7 do past Mistake on board of it at 10 Set Sail N.N.E. of bearing W.E.S.E at 12 Noon by this Breeze wind E.S.E at 3 PM by this hours from W.S.W at 6 Calm at Midnight the same PS at Sunset Sth of Hull Cove Distant 25 Miles east

Monday. 30 Sept-

Commences with Light Winds from E & E
& pleasant weather at Sunrise 4 Knots
Hours at 12 fresh Breezes & Cloudy at 4
PM appearance of a Storm as we were
increasing & commenced Raining & a heavy
Sea running at ½ past 7 am made Cape Cod
Light bearing S.W by S which was on point
on My Larboard bow at 9 when the appearance
of wind hauling to SE we bore away to
go round Race point to make a harbour
run N.W per one hour. At began to light-
up to North hauled our Course again to follow
the Cape round so was the day with a heavy
Sea from SE & Cloudy

Tuesday 1st Oct 1839

Commences with Moderate Breezes & Cloudy
weather & a very heavy Sea at 1 AM made
Nawett Lights which are 3 seperate ones
at 4 am made Chatham Lights at 7 am
past there came on Squally with Showers
to it at 8 past pollock rip at 9 past the
Stone Horse ½ past 9 am past the Harker-chief shoal

at 11 went through the Shew of the Horse Mare carying 3 pottions at 1 PM Stopt in Holmes Hole to wait for the Westerly tide to make at Sunset went to the Light house for Mest Chop Stayd a few Moments returnd on board at 7 PM got under way Mann SW at 10 as went through Quicks Hole at 12 arrivd at my dear Rotchie in Buzz

Sunday the day
Lying in N Bedford
Wednesday 2d

all this day fresh Winds from WSW cum - rowd & See My frinds in the Evening went to our prayer Meeting had an interesting one

Thursday 3d

all this day Mann Christmas Spent the day in seeing My Relations & frinds in the evening went & See Brother Burrell & family cam Home Some fine english Herrings which was very Acceptable to them

Friday 4th Bound to Richmond

Commences with Light Breezes from W.W & E.N.E. variable at 7 AM got under way for Richmond at 8 Stiff Breeze at 10 minutes to Eight thinks bore E.S.E 10 Miles at Light airs from N.N.E at 2 Calm at 3 from little breeze from N.E at 4 S.S. square Sail at 6 Stiff breeze Block Isld bore N 10 Miles dist at 8 AM. Montauk Light bore N.W.W 15 Miles dist at Midnight fresh Gales So ends this day

Saturday 5

First & Middle part fresh gales with pouring Clouds we have been Sailing since last evening 7 & 8 Miles per hour Latt by Obs 39.27 run a distance to Noon this day 123 Miles. At 6 PM broke square Sail boom handed Square sail parted gaff top sail sheet and were obliged to take that in a heavy sea & stiff gales since we took our departure from Montauk at 8 PM Friday night we have run a distance of 219 Miles until 12 at night on Saturday

Saturday 6th Set- Came to Richmond

Commences with stiff gales from E. NE
& Cloudy with a heavy Sea at- 8 AM
Made Hog Isl at- 10 Made South Isl.
at- 1 PM past Cape Henry at- ½ past- 4 past-
Light Boat in Middle Shoal at- ¼ past- Drew
past- Buoys at- ½ past- 7 ran a ground 9 Miles
up the river upon an Oyster rock on Ds. Side
of the Channell it was about- 2 thirds flood but
could not get- off about- half hour- tho't was
soft bottom therefore she set- right- up
& shu- stern of boat at- high water. so ends
this day

Monday 7th

Commences with Cloudy weather & Moderate
Breezes from E. & NE. we made every exertion to get
off- but- without- effect Carried our- Kedge & Small
Anchor South east a stern but the Mud so soft
drove them through it- Shifted Tons Plaister on
the quarter & broke main sick. at 4 PM Low
water Unmoored & Buoys up fresh astern. at East-

ana appearance of a Storm & in a wide bay Say 2 Miles from Land on each side of us & in a bad Situation if we do not get out & come on to Shore with the rest where it is now at ½ past 10 PM high water Strove hard to have of but without effect Latter part of the day pleasant at 11 at Night got Plastia out of the hole we struck off have been to get of but could not

Tuesday 8th

Commences with fine pleasant weather with Airs from SE & Calms Shifted ten tons Plastia abaft in the gunta deck at 9 AM have an anchor that was out at the Stern up and Carried it out again astern & at ½ past 11 AM & after moving & labouring All the Morning we succeeded in heaving of Just at the top of high water & stood we all were in so doing. It appears that we had got out of the Main Channell on Sunday Night & have got to the northward of the any Shoals & had gone up a short distance found Shoal water kept of to the Southward to appear & run direct on to a Dry Shoal so much for wanting to go a little further before a breeze

after heaving of & coming to anchor we lay about
2 hours fitted the vessell again at 3 PM got
under way run up above the Shoal we were on
west into a Slew of the Shoals & out into the
Main Channell & at 5 PM came to Anchor at
ones water Boat to wait for day light

Wednesday 9th

At 9 AM got under way wind N.W Light
airs at 2 Past James Town at 4 Came to anchor
2 Miles above at 5 Came a fresh breze from
S.E got under way at 8 Came to anchor Just
below Cannons Marshes Light airs & Ebb tide

Thursday 10th

at 10 AM got under way Light airs & Hazy
weather at Sunset Came to Anchor
3 Miles be Harrison Bar Calm & Ebb tide
Made against us So was the day

Friday 11th

at 1 AM got under way & Stood up near the
bar it being very Dark Came to anchor at ½
past 2 AM at Sunrise got under way
on Ebb tide Light Breze from N.E at 8
fine breze at 10 AM Came to anchor off Bermuda

Hunsacks as the wind & tide was against us
at Noon Tide Made fair got a mile way
wind began to blow at 2 PM fresh blow
from E at 9 do Came to anchor at Morrick
tide against us & Dark night

Saturday 12 -

Commences Cloudy weather Light airs at 12
at daylight got under way Towd & Sailed
up to Richmond at 9 am, Latter part
pleasent weather. the News arrived here
yesterday of Arthur Banks Suspending Specie
payment & Likewise the Banks Most here

Sunday 13th

pleasent weather went to the Bethel Church
& there Three different Preachers Through the
day in forenoon it being Sacrament Of-
course partook with them & in the afternoon
after the Sermon I got up & gave quite a Long
exortation which caused many to weep & to be
arrested in their own Minds I had great freedom
in Speaking. & after the Blessing was pronounced in
the Forenoon there was 2 of the Sisters Togo to prevail
upon me to give an exortation but I refused as it was all

Confusion I told them that if there had been an opportunity offered I should improved it but every moment had been occupied by the Ministers in the ordinances of the Church one of the Sisters was the Ministers Mother in Law an amiable Lady

Monday 14 All this day fine pleasant weather discharged the most part of our Cargo

Tuesday 15th

Finished eclipse a few Casks of Ground plaister had a prayer meeting at the Bethel one of the brethren opened the meeting by prayer the Minister Mr Mavin gave a short discourse myself gave quite a Long exhortation we had a very interesting Meeting. Some appointed for Friday evening Inspected as soon as Cargo was out that we would have one to take immediately in Sent Mr Lenham to day & told me he knew of no freight a going therefore we are improveing the time in painting the Schooner

Thursday 16th Oct 1839

this day ~~commences~~ with light Breeze from SE & appearance of a Storm. Middle & latter part Cloudy at 4 PM in Latham Came down to Roberts where we are lying in readiness for the Schooner to lay until the weather is such as to Let it. Seamen employed in painting the Schooner So ends the day

Thursday 17th 1839

all this day pleasant weather Wind from N to NE & SE all Hands employed in painting the Schooner at Sunset went up a short distance & See a Sick Brother who has been confined 4 Months & was Experienced religion Since his confinement

Friday 18th

All this day heavy Showers of Rain with East

Sat 19th

Commences with heavy Showers at 6 Past raining the rest part of the 24 Broken Clouds Sun out at intervals misses Rainbow Light with Calms. this evening visited the Sick prayed with him. & then Visited Capt Makinneys Family & prayed them

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Sunday 20th Oct 1839

All this day Cloudy weather Rain at N & evening I in going to the Bethel fore noon & afternoon & in praying in the Factory in the afternoon invited to take tea with Br Makinney family which I excepted his wife is a Member of the Church & a good Christian I passed a happy evening with them She told me that I was been the means of stirring her mind up to her duty to serve the Lord. O how good it is to strive to be faithful in doing our duty to God Sent her last two invitations to come home with the Brethren & Sisters begin to multiply I hope that I may do good while among these goodly people

Monday 21st 1839

All this day fine weather but rather cool
Went at A E. no prospect of any Cargo as yet
this evening went to the Bethel as it was the
Monthly Concert to pray for the conversion of Sailors
there were two Ministers attending. House pretty well
fill with Landsmen & Sailors & had an interesting
Meeting I gave quite a long Exortation, after the
Meeting a Rich gentleman gave me an invitation
to dine with him at 3 Clock on Wednesday which
I cannot accept as he is a Member of the presbyterian
Church up in the City but the interest of Sailors
is so great in him that he comes down here every
Sabbath to distribute tracks to seamen & attends
the Meeting one of the Ministers that attended this
evening is preparing himself for a Missionary to go to
Persia & is to take his departure Soon he goes by the
way of Constantinople to get there his Name
is Right & is of the Presbyterian order
& I believe he is a good Man & will do good.

Tuesday 22 Oct

the first 12 hours of this day Cloudy & Cold the Latter part more pleasant got up Early this morning up to the upper part of this City to the Rail Way office & Myself with Mr Baker the Agent of the Coal Establishment & Son of Elder Baker of St Beafors took Passage in the Steam Car & 14 Coal Cars were made fast behind for the purpose of bringing Coal back we started at 7 oclock & Soon at the Coal Mines 4 past 8 a distance of 12 miles we took breakfast Shortly after Mr visited a Coal pit this is the first one that we came to & Told Mr Baker I was a going down into it the overseer of the pit told Me that depth of pit was 150 feet & from it ran about 300 feet in a Horizontal position Shortly he ascended with a Lamp in his hand & said as Soon as he had landed at the bottom that I must follow which I did & was down to the bottom in about 2 minutes he then told me to follow him he then held the lamp Partly behind him So that I could See where to walk we Travelled through a narrow low winding passage rather ascending the roof over head secured by arching timber from the roof to the bottom we had gone about

50 feet & had several Levels which were
blocked to right the road. when Big quick told me
to furnish one side for the Creek was a coming
in a moment it past with Black water with Coal
going to the Mouth of the pit we then pursued
our Course & the further we went the larger &
bigger the Road become after travelling 250 ft
we Came where one road turnd to the right the
Other to the left we took the right hand road pit
which extended about fifty feet & the further
end of it was about 20 ft wide & say 15 feet high
& supported by 20 or 30 Columns to sustain the roof
to keep it from falling & the Roof upon some of
them so great that they were all but ready to
broke & the whole ready to Come in I went under
it with Big quick & told him it appeard rather too
dangerous to stay long & turnd back immediately it
appeard that they had worked until they had come to the
end of the vein of Coal & stopt, we then returned back
to the left hand Road ~~to that~~ & travelled about 50 ft
which brought us to the end of it where were 5 Slaves
to work digging Coal & the first word they said was
we Shall get some money as it was a curious
were stronger entered the pit to give them Something

So I took out half a dollar & gave it to them, they were perfectly satisfyed with working in the pitt & said they had rather work there than out of it. they go out at Sunset & return again at Sunrise. & they have the privelege of collecting & selling all of the 2d quality of Coal which they get 10 Cent pr Bushel which Amounts to a considerable sum in the Course of the year The 2d quality of Coal the City people by to burn in the Grates & the last quality is for Blacksmith use ——
we were in the pitt about half an hour & returned back & was drawn up in a Car & much pleased with my Journey into the Lower regions & back. I must confess it was a gloomy looking place, the train of Cars that we came in soon began to howl with the Steam engine that brought us here had gone of with a train of loaded ones which were all ready when we arrived here, in the Mean Time I travel'd & visited about 20 different pitts in them boaring into the earth to find more Coal at 12 the Cars returned & we started for Richmond at half past 2 and took dinner with Mr Harper at 4 Returned on board ——————

& All the evening employed in visiting the Sick & Conversing & Praying with them Thus ends this pleasant Interesting day to My Soul — — — —

Wednesday 23d Oct 1839

All this day fine pleasant weather went at 3 PM up with the Capt & wife with Mr Hutchinson & family & with Several Ladys & Gentlemen after dinner the Revrend Mr Talbot & the Presbyterian Church Came in & was introduced to him I was much pleased in conversing with him. his Manners & conversation were very of the Christian. he gave me an invitation to call & see him. he is said to be a very Eloquent in the pulpit & of great talents, returned on board at Sunset & held a prayer meeting in the Cabin So ends the day

Thursday 24

pleasant weather

at 4 PM went ashore about 1 mile to Mr Mavins House & from there he & Capt & I walked 1 mile further where he had an appointment to preach in a Meeting we arrived about dusk took Supper at a Mr Meacam Ladies House & in company with Several

Other ladys & all members of the Presbyterian
Church after this we went a short distance
to the house a prayed for the Meeting & found Collo
a number Mostly females Mr Mavin Read a
hymn we all joind in Singing. & after Singing he
ask him to pray I also So he then read & Sang
again & after he gave a short discourse &
gave way to Me I immediately arose gave quite
a long Exortation Cald Many to weep while
exorting them. & I hope that they will long remember
the advice that a poor wayfaring Man gave them
Mr Mavin Closed the Meeting by prayer & we
took an affectionate leave of them returnd to
his House at 9 PM we then had a prayer Meeting
& retired to bed Thus ends Another pleasant—
day to one who is a traveling to a City out of
Sight whose builder & Maker is God. although
Seperated from my dear little family my time
is hopping pleasantly & swiftly on towards that
Land of rest when I shall shortly arrive. who
would not deny himself & take up his Cross
& follow his Blessed Redeemer to have
so much happiness in this present world & with

that heaven promise with reigning with Christ in Glory it is not to wonder at that Moses the Man of God had rather suffer the afflictions with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasure of sin for a season for he had the prospect of that great recompence of reward which he would enjoy if found faithfull

Friday 25th Oct 1839

All this day pleasant weather rode 2 miles to the upper end of the Isle & staid with Bro Baker a Brother of Elder Baker returned home & at ½ past 6 PM returned back again & went to a Methodist Love feast & got admittance without a ticket I was made glad with it the proceedings it is the same as a common prayer Meeting except the bread & Water I believe that they are attended with Power by what I could discover there was many mourners went forward for prayer last none experienced religion that evening I staid until 11 PM returned to Bro B's House & staid the Night with him

Saturday 26th

All this day fair winds at ½ C

Mr Beach last had quite a long discourse with Mrs Baker about religion. She had been a number of times to a series of meetings which were then going on among the Methodist & She wanted to get out into liberty & while I was Conversing with her & encouraging her She wept much I hope that She will soon find Salvation returned on board at 11 am the rest of the day employed in visiting the Sick & praying with them

Sunday 27

All this day fresh Gales at 1 P.M. this morning employed in distributing Books to Sailors on board their Vessels & persuading them to go to the Bethel Had a very Interesting discourse forenoon & afternoon I spoke in the afternoon. & afterwards Mr Marvin wished that I would go with him to Mr Tylers to See a Sick Capt that belongs to Baltimore I did So we took tea there his wife is a Lovely woman & a Member of the Maryland Church after tea we went up in the Chamber found the Sick man in the bed I had quite a long discourse with him. He is a very respectable Man & of high standing

& a Moral Man he told Me how he had lived & that his House when living in the Country was a preaching house although a dwelling house & that he had experienced Religion in it & he appeared not far from the Kingdom of heaven. I hope that he will find it before he leaves this world we stayed there until dark time went to Meeting returned aboard. I forgot to mention that Mr Hutchingson dined with Me on board the Eliza he is of the firm of Hutchingson & Carr Merchts in this City

January 28

all this day pleasant weather went up & Dined with James Allen one of the Sons of James Allen in Dock Beaufort & one of the firm of Davenport & Allen of Richmond

January 29 pleasant weather

Dined again with Mr Hutchingson Family a Number of Ladys & gentlemen & Mr Right a Missionary to Persia spent with us. I stay & drink tea & after tea took a walk with Mr Hutchingson & visited a Sick sister of the Church her husband lay drunk on one bed & she sick on another what Misery & poverty did my eyes behold

the wife a fine looking woman she left the
Children around her Rayed house early & Nothing
as it were to help themselves with She informed me
that they were very well off & that her husband
owned a nice little farm in the Country but he
Sold it & moved into Richmond & soon become
dissipated Drank and all that he had away took
to Drink & there we are in this Situation &
exorted her to be faithfull to the Lord & Father
went to prayer with her gave her [redacted]
Mr Hutchinson gave her a considerable amount
we returned back & then went to a prayer
Meeting at Mr Bollocks Church. after Meeting
I shook hands with him. & said he how Sorry
I was that I had not known that you was here
Says he we come & see me. & come to my Church
next Sabath. after meeting returned back
with Mr Hutchinson at 9 Oclock all the family
Assemble read a chapter Sang a hymn I was Called
upon to pray Mr Wright was there the Missionary
the family soon after bed. Mr Hutchinson &
Myself Sat up until 11 Oclock in conversation
About various subjects I then retired to bed

& Met with Mr Ragsdale

Wednesday 30

fine Pleasant weather at 8 Clock had Prayers & Singing took Breakfast & after took an affectionate leave of them returned on board at 10 Clock the evening employed in visiting the Sick

Thursday 31st

All this day fine Pleasant weather Commenced Loading with Coal took on board 400 Bushels which was all the Coal that was on hand therefore we have to wait untill the Cars come on the following day at 1 PM

Friday November 1 1839

All this day Pleasant weather at 1 PM the Coal Cars arived comenced loading & at Sunset took on board 1100 Bushels which compleated our quantity 1500 Bushels hauled over on Richmond Side Spent the evening with 2 Sisters of the Church & where there was a Sick Brother confined Sang Talk & Prayed with them for the last time had an Interesting time with them

Saturday 2d Nov

All this day Cloudy weather wind S west
set to Richmond Settled up with Mr Ludlum
went to his house Saw his wife & Miss Coffin
Lewis Coffin own sister of Beaufort I was located
very Comfortable Mrs Ludlum gave me a present of
Cotton Libby left there at Noon in returning
on board overtook Mr Buttimore in Company with
a Vessel from Glasgow & entered to him
made some entries & then Sorted after taking an
affectionate leave of my friend Mr Hutchins
returned on board at 2 PM sailed on board C. Keys
Returned ran up sick Book leave of the Sick Britta
& Sister went down in boat found Mr Ludlum
& his wife waiting to accompany me down the river
as far as the mouth landing & at 4 PM took of &
Mrs Ludlum & Miss Coffin Brave Head Com
to anchor 18 Miles from Richmond

Mr & Mrs Ludlum & Miss Coffin to Beaufort
Joseph Dunbar of this Town. Dr. Beaufort

Tuesday 3 Dec 1839

at Sunrise got under way Light airs to it at 11 came to Anchor 22 Miles below Richmond Just below Henry Clays wood yard at ½ past 11 held a Prayer Meeting in Cabin Passed it was the First on that ever Mr Latham was in on board of a Vessell at ½ past 12 his own Steam boat Came past with Several Vessels in Tow Set him on board in our Jolly boat & at 2 PM got under way Appearance of a Storm at 4 began to Rain at 5 ao Came to anchor at Mr Gills Wood yard held a prayer Meeting Soon as the day

Wednesday 4

All this day Changable weather Showers of Rain at 7 AM Hauled along side of the wharf & Commenced Loading the for hold took in 11 Cord at 5 PM had to haul of to let the Steam boat Virginia go in to wood at 9 ao Hauled along side again

Tuesday 5th

all this day fine weather took in board 11 Cord more at 4 PM manned the boat with 4 Oars rowed down half a Mile & back as a race that had been wound up

I had just – dried brought on board Shortly the hunters came on board Skind it on board I Claim one half of it however I gave 1 quarter of mine to Mr Gill I reserved the hind quarter to myself a acct went up to his House I introduced to his wife a fine healthy Lady. I belong to the Calvin Baptist Church took tea with them at 7 past 7 I held a prayer Meeting there had an interesting one all there Slaves were present. Retired there all night

Wednesday 5th Fine pleasant

at Sunrise breakfasted with the family after Reading Singing & praying with them & taking a delightful return on board & in the Course of the day Mr & Mrs Gill on board 17 Crows aboard

Thursday 7th

All this day fresh Breeze from West & Clear weather took on board in the Morning 2 Cows arrived at 11 am Started at 1 & PM Came to anchor 2 Miles below James Town fourth for the night at 8 PM held a prayer Meeting in the Cabin

Friday 8th

All this day fine Season. – weather mild
Wind at one light got under way at
at 1 PM Came to anchor Old Point Comfort
bearing WSW 5 Miles distance appearance of a Ship
A mile to N & E So ends this day. PM at 3 PM
went on Shore examined the greatest part of the
U.S. States it takes up 50 Acres of Ground Some
viewing the fort went & see Mrs Luke the Keeper
of the Light House She is a Lady of 75 years old
and a very pious woman I had a very pleasant
interview with her although a Stranger to her
but we soon got acquainted with each other
for we both could talk one language though
we belong to one kingdom not an Earthly one
but a Spiritual Kingdom where God resides
& where the Great Captain of our Salvation has
gone to make preperations for the reception of
his redeemd children from Sin & Death. & at
last to give them an abundance of Admittance into
the Heavenly City New Jerusalem where there is
no need of the light of the Sun Moon or Stars to light
it but the Lord God & the Lamb will be
there for the Light of it. oh what Mortal being

Can Saint or Poet conceive a faint idea of the Grandeur & Magnificence of Such a Splendid City would Milton Say that it was like a Bride adorned for her Husband. yes after this present Worlds is destroyd & the Judgement day past Devils & wicked Men destroyd where Hope nor Mercy can never reach them. No more the effect of Sorrow the Righteous they then will be presented by their Redeemer Spotless before the Throne of God & at the Same time a New Earth will appear & the Holy City New Jerusalem will be Sent down from God out of Heaven to be placed upon the New Earth & when All is finally completed the Immortal Saints will be sent there to Inherit the New Earth & to worship in the Holy City. O My Soul Strive hard to enter the Strait gate for we read, many Shall Strive but Shall not be able because they are not willing to forsake all & follow Christ. not that they did not believe on him but they were not willing to deny themselves of Sinfull ways & take up their Cross & follow the dear Redeemer. they knew their duty but they did it not this will be their Condemnation

{wrote at Sea 15 miles E of Little Egg Harbour Tuesday Morning 12 clock 1839 Nearly Calm & appearance of a Storm

Saturday 9th Nov 1839

all this day fine Breze from S W at Sunrise got
under way at 11 AM past Cape Henry. Sea account
Courses at Noon Smith I D Light bore West 4 miles

Sunday 10th

Commences with Pleasent weather wind S W at
at 3 PM past Hog I D at 10 past Chincoteague
Light past Bowers took in Gaff Topsails reefed
the foresail a double reef Mainsail hoisted Flying Jib
at 7 AM Heavy Sea running blowing Heavy Storm S S
E Latter part the same Sun obscure

Monday 11th

Commences with fresh Gales & Cloudy Heavy Sea
but the Schooner rides like a Duck in the water
at 4 PM more Ship to W at 8 More Ship
to S S E at 12 more Ship to W at day Light
Made Land Stood into 7 fathoms Take Stbd of
a Ship in Company Just to Leward at 8 AM
more Ship in Shore Bearing N N W by W Stood
in within 1 Mile of Indian River in Rehoboth Bay
a few Miles from Cape Henlopen Light winds
at Noon Pleasent. 9 the appearance of NW wind
past the Brig of Boston bound S

Tuesday 12th

All these 24 hours fair Pleasant first & latter part light airs Moderate fair Bowes from N W at 5 PM Cape Henlopen Light W S W at 11 ou Mean Cape May Light soon Made the Floating Light on S Gotham Bank to Eastward of us went about 3 Miles from at 11 PM the boat bore S S W dist 10 Miles at 10 AM Calm Caught Several dog fish & a Number Sail of Shipping in Sight & one Large Ship near us bound to N York

Wednesday 13th Lat 39.17 N

Commences with Light airs & Calm Sounded in 15 Fathoms & 2 Miles to Southard Great Egg Harbour at 2 PM began to Clouds up at 3 a. Appearance of a Storm every four Minutes a Cats paw would Strike from N E to E at 4 ou began to Bowe fast from N E by E Stood in shore at 6 ou Tack Ship to Eastward first Bowes Swag ourselves 20 Miles from the Jersey Shore Handed up from 8 to 12 from N to N N E & at 2 AM Made Barnegat Light from half way Lying Heaving Ship to

at Day Light Land was about 10 Miles from us at 9 AM Made the high Lands of Never Sink bearing S by W. W. More Moderate at Noon past these Large Publick Boarding Houses to the Southard of the Hook at 2 PM Light Airs & mostly calm with Light & a Stormy Look ajacent in Clear of Sandy at 4 Hauld round the L House & stood to the Nor the Light bore S & S by E. Stood S by W Appearance of Storm again at 10 PM wind N E Came to Anchor for the Setting us up into Amboy Bay

So ends this day. PS this day I had Sweet Union & Communion with My Heavenly Father. a day in his Courts is better than a thousand else where I had rather be a door Keeper in the House of my God than to dwell in the Tents of wickedness

Thursday 14 at 1-2 AM got under Way Wind at N E all over cast Comand heating up to the narrows at 4 AM Came to Anchor East in board the large Battery in the the East side Narrows & in 15 fathoms water & Farm in at 8 AM began to Rain & Blow Wind from East We have good the Lines is to bring us into port

at 8 AM got under way heavy Showers of Rain
at 12 past Governors Isld Light Airs & Cloudy at
2 PM came to Anchor just above Grand Shoot
in the East River had not time enough to take us
through the Gate went on Shore to Mr Foot
& family found them all well Except Mr Foot
Costin is to leave on Wednesday following for
Savannah & from there to St Johns River &
to Jacksonville 40 Miles She takes her 2 Children
along with her & appears to go with as much composure
as though it was not a long Journey. I confess I
She was a going so long a Journey to be with her
Husband Mr Hearts Home that I may never
see Her again upon the Shores of time I took
the favourable opportunity to Exort her to get
Religion then She would have a friend that would
Stand by her when all earthly friends must give
her up I hope that I may be cast upon the
the waters to be gathered after many days.
At 9 PM came on board it is all over Cast
but a fair Wind from Isld got under way
at 10 and at 11 went through Hurl Gate, Tide
has just made flood & the Wind so that we

Last—Made out to pass through at 12 past
Throgs Point So ends the day with a fresh breeze
& overcast looks as though it was a going to be foggy

Friday 15th 1839

Commences with fresh Breezes & Cloudy
at 4 am past Throgs Neck at 8 past Tolkhouse
Sold Set fore & Main Gaff Topsail at 11.30 am
past Gull Light at 1 PM past Watch Hill
Set Spanker Sail heavy Sea running from SE
at 10 Min past 3. PM Past Point Judith at 10 Min
of 4 am past Sennett Rocks 10 Min of 6 past
the Ola Coast Carried away Spanker sheet
blowing heavy with a heavy Sea on took
in both Gaff topsails at 8 PM arrived along
Side Bedford Wharf. a passage of 5 days from
Ola point Comfort & the last Trip to Richmond
this year Made 3 trips to Richmond & 2 to Lubeck
to Brown 26 June to 15 Nov 5 Months & 11 days
Each Trip averaging 32 days but in the mean time
I was detained 21 days along side Richmond wharf—
& 10 days in Cape & Lubeck waiting for blasters bars
For these 5 Trips I have enjoyed good peace

of Mine both on the Sea as well as on the Land I have had much of the presence of My Heavenly Father in that time I think that I have strove in some measure to Glorify My Creator & preserver by Keeping his Commandments in worshiping him in whoom my Soul loveth & trying to do good to My fellow beings & that my days were more devoted to his Service that I might realise More the worth of the Immortal Soul & what it Cost to redeem it from Sin & Death. & More of the great Obligations that I am under to Love & Serve the Lord

From the time that I arived at this port from Richmond untill the day that I Sailed for New Orleans being 26 days, have had many previous seasons to My Immortal Soul In the Ordenances of Gods House. & visiting My Brethren of the Church ...

the Schooner Eliza is now loading with Spirm & Whale Oil, 550 bbls Spr.m Candles & 540 Kegs Nails. which was Stowed principally

in the after hole. & a crew consisting of-
Sixe . Joseph Howland. Capt: Mr Burges
as Mate Alexander Cameron & John King
as Sailors & Benjamin Rose as Cook Fredk
Howland as passenger. On Wednesday 11th Dem
1839 Set Sail from New Bedford. This Day
Comenses with light- Breezes from S W &
pleasent- weather at- 10 Am Set ~~sail~~ sail from
Hazards Wharf- at- Noon past- Round Hill
Light- House so ends this 12 hours. Sea men
begins

Thursday 12th

Comenses with fine pleasent- weather Light-
Wind from West- Ellt sail set- at- 1 PM
wind hauld to S W began to thicken up
in S W at- 4 oc past- the. Sow & pig Rocks
at- 7 oc wind S S W Gay Head Light- bore
E N E tack Ship to westward at- 10 oc wind
hauled to S S E at- 11 S E & appearance of- a
Storm at- Midnight- began to blow & Rain
handed the Flying fib & reef the mainsail
at- 7 am heavy Sea running 2 Reef Mainsail
& Single reef the fore Sail at- 9 am more

Shifting Moderate & fast raining wind Sudin
gly Shifted to W & W took Sights to SW
at Noon fresh Gales Latt by Obs 40.01E

Friday 13th

Commences with Fresh Gales at W & W at
1 PM wind W at 4 gale increasing at
Sunset Handed Mainsail gale increasing at
Midnight Handed Fore & Aft Sail to Close
up & W full of f & SW Latter part a heavy
gale & a big Breaking Sea running Ships some
water but makes fair weather. with passing Obs
No Obs

Saturday 14th

commences with Heavy gales from W & W
& still increasing took a 2 reef in the Foresail
at 4 oc PM blows still harder the Sea running as
it never Mountain high at 8 oc wind Veered to
N W Handed the sea mist at Midnight
began to Moderate at 5 am Made Sail
at 10 oc Made all Sail at 12 wind Veered
to SW Light Breezes & passing Clouds sounded
in 90 fathoms & no bottom Latt by Obs 38.46

Sunday 15

Commenced with Moderate Breezes from S.W. at 1 P.M. took Sail to westward at 5 do & heavy appearance of a Storm which hauled to S.E. began to rain at 2 do Rain squall Called all hands & Reef Main Sail & Foresail at 3 do Blow a heavy Squall of wind & rain from W. Unhauled Mainsail & Fit down & handed them at 7 am Set Fit blowing heavy & a big Sea begins to rise Steered S by W at noon the gale increasing & Sea running high & wild passing Clouds

Monday 16th

Commenced with heavy Gale from S.W. attended with a high breaking Sea began to Ship a great quantity of water on Deck & fearfull that a heavy Sea would board us at 3 P.M. gale Still Increasing found it dangerous to Send any longer Kept dead before the Wind then Hauled the fit down & handed it got every thing Secured watched a favourable opportunity as we possibly could

get then down below & brought her to the
Abina heading up SW at 6 oc Gale
Increasing attended with heavy Squalls of
Rain & hail. ordered by two Sailors with
five in the fore Castle to come & remain in the
Cabin, at Midnight the gale Still increasing
a high Cross Mountainous Sea running & no
appearance of Change for the better. it appears
that when those tremendous Squalls strike
the Schooner. that it would blow the very
Masts out of her. but rides out the Storm in
a wonderfull Manner & Struggling hard to
reach the Summit of those Lofty Seas to
save the Sons of Neptune from a watery Grave
Day light Broke its appearance & the infuriate
Elements still increasing the same Hail
Squalls every half hour, which has attended us
throughout the night. O. if our Familys & Friends
at this present Moment Could be permitted to
behold us in this awfull Gale of wind, methinks
they would prostrate themselves before the Great
Eternal & offer up to him a sincere prayer in
our behalf, but the All Seeing Eye is upon

& has given the Albines & the Seas charge
conserning us, I shall never perish away from
My own Native place at 8.30 Am. while
I was a Standing at the upper end of
the Steps in the gangway with the companion
Just shut over in Consequence of a heavy hail
Squall. all at once an awfull Sea fell on
board of us which fond a large quantity of
Water down the gangway. we all rushed on
Deck & what eies our Mortal Eyes beheld
who can attempt to paint or describe the distress
Scene which was presented to our view the Eliza
a few Moments before with all her Spars
Standing & Riding Majestically over those Mour
tainous seas but in a Moment as it were
Made to yield & become a perfect Rack
& her brave Crew soon to find a watery
Grave. I will now attempt to describe
her Situation as it was when we rushed on deck
It appears that the heavyest part of the Sea
broke in upon the Middle of the vessell
Sweeping away all the Bulwarks & Stanshals
on Starboard Side from Break of Quarter

Deck to the eye of the Mainmast & all the weather boarding on Larboard Side with the Stanshons & Railing from Fore to Main Shrouds Fore Scuttle broke of to the deck. Foremast Knock'd out of the Step. forwards split up. Jolly Boat washd ffatt to the Hatch. Camboose & House was overboard. Starboard pump split to peices. three Large Water Casks washd overboard & the Binacle shattad. Lee planksheir splitt. & one Bl of water which was lashd on the Lee Side with the other Casks was preserved for our preservation. what was to be done in this perilous Situation cut away the Mast as quick as possible I said for the ax it was given to me in a Moment as it were I comenced cutting away the Mainmast cut it about one quarter of it look'd forward See the Foremast wiping the Deck up hoft of cutting ran Forward with the ax & comenced cutting away the Mast while the Mate & one Man were cutting the Square Sail from yard to Stop the fore Scuttle & round the Mast to Kup from Sinking. about ten minutes the Foremast was cut away I then ran to the Mainmast

* Weather Shrouds Gone. 3

gave a few cuts with the axe away that
went & in falling it broke the Main
boom off by the quarter Crotch in the
Mean time the rest of the Mast had
Scuttled the Cabin floor in consequence
of hearing water washing about in the hold
& Soon found the water up to the
under part of the floor. they began to bail
with one Kept the Larboard pump a going
the Starboard pump being of no use to us
it being Split in Several peices & the boom
being over the Larboard pump So that we
could not raise the Break high enough
to pump fast. after the Square Sail was
cut away they Soon secured the pump
Scuttle hole & likewise sawed the Mast
& found the Schooner fast filling with
water & at the same time wearing round
I ran to the helmn put it hard a Starboard
to help bring her round as quick as possible to
prevent the sea from breaking over her
Stern & in a Short time She came broad
Side to the Mains without Shipping a Sea

her mizzen mast upon this Fact was a
Providential act & proved a great advantage
to us, it brought the Main boom & Mainsail
to the windward of our Shattered Binacle
which kept the Sea from sweeping it away
& the Mast being in the water to windward
prevented the Sea from breaking in with
they remained there which was not more than
half an hour, for we found them dang
across along Side. & cut away the Rigging
as soon as posible & heavy surging of the Mast
soon erased the bolts through the Starboard
& Aft from us. no Spars now left but the
bowsprit & Jibboom & a broken Main boom
with two Gaff Topsails & yards which were
on the weather side quarter Deck when
the Sea Struck us. we perceived our fast
sinking & all expecting to Soon find a wat
ery Grave for it appeared there was no chance
to save our lives Still I knew God was
able to save us. but in what way we could
not conceive. I remembered God & the way
that he had brought me through life

I likewise told to Brina what I had wrote in my Journal that I should at last be permitted to Die in my own house. & had made it known to a number of individuals that still caused hope to revive, but of his doubting & then hoping again. as it appeared when we looked at ourselves we could see no hopes of ever reaching the Shore again. but when we looked away to our Creator & preserver we knew his power was sufficient to save us

we still pursue the Schooner Sailing as pumping & bailing could not keep her free & thought of the Casks in the after hold that if we could get them out & throw them Overboard that the Schooner then filled full of water she would not Sink then there would be a possibility of saving our Lives by being taken off by some passing Vessell. I commenced immediately to cut away the Bulk head of the Cabin we soon had it down & commenced throwing them into the Sea & in about 3 hours I found that we

throw over board about 450 Kgs. in the mean time Mr Burges & Myself went forward with the axe. Hatchet & Brass Spike to unshackle the chains so that we could throw them overboard as the Schoon was nearly gunel to the water cage forward we found them so hard rusted that we could not get the Shackels of in consequently was obliged to cut one Link with the axe but in so doing broke the axe all to pieces we then try'd the hatchet & broke that we then drove the Martin Spike through the Link which broke it we then let go the Starboard anchor hauld the Chain back round the windlass. Cut away Larboard anchor & payd out both Chains round the Larboard windlass & rejoiced to see the last one of the chain run through the Hawse Hole Shortly after the Sea Broke away the Bow Sprit it is now 4 PM. the Gale Still the Same no appearance of Change the same heavy hail Squalls a heavy sea running in all

directions & with looking Glasses & we poor
Mortals broke down with fatigue by
over working to try to save ourselves from
a watery Grave what this dark dismal
night that is approaching will bring forth
God only knows however My Trust is in
him for protection. we now have light
ea the schooner so much abaft that
She only draws about 6 ft of water, &
now we have begun to bail water again through
the Cabin floor & pumping & in about 2
hours we have settled the water about half
down from the Cabin floor to the Kilson
Hope Sprang up of a possibility of our lives being
preserved..... & that the Schooner would be kept
from Sinking at 8 PM we all broke of from
labour partook of Some food as it had been 24 hours
Since we have eat any after we had finished we
put on dry Cloathing & then we all prostrated
ourselves on our knees before the Great Eternal
& if ever My prayers went up to a Throne of Grace
& as it were Scale the Walls of Heaven to gain
admittance to the King Eternal it was then

not only for Myself & Son but in behalf of them
of My Crew that had no Interest in My Dear
Redeemer . . . . . not that I felt any con
cern about my own Soul for I knew in whom I
had believed. & that God would spare our lives
& if consistance with his Divine will to cause us
to be taken of by Some passing Vessell & being as safe
to land after My prayer was Ended I felt
a calmness of Mind. & Said to My Crew come
we will all go to work Accerfully & try to pump
& bail her out if posible we did So & about
Midnight we succeeded in lowering the Water
down to the Kelson we then broke of as one
could keep her free by pumping & Set the watch
for one hour Each. after the first watch was
out I Hurd him trying to wake the one that
had the Second but being So exausted with fatig
that he could not be awaked therefore I got up &
pump the remainder of the Night when Daylight
Came there was no appearance of Change the
Gale continues the Same with heavy Squalls
& a heavy Sea running & we are all wet
& Cold & no more dry Cloaths to put on went to

work got up our Small boat Stove & made a fire & Soon got the Cabin comfortably warm & could dry our Cloathing we came at a boat of Shoes which we took for our own use & when one pair got wet we put on a dry pair at 8 Am Into prayers Our Brig Smart was escorted & drawn Out to Sea for his timely Mercies towards us in the Course of forenoon we made out to make Some Coffee by boiling the water before the Stove door in the Coffee pot how refreshing it was to all of us in this distressing Situation at Noon rather More Moderate but with passing Clouds No Observation

Wednesday 18th Decm 1839

Commences with heavy Gales a big Sea running Mima S 10 & heavy passing Clouds attended with rain Squalls the Wreck headed to E & E at 3 PM got up a long Side of the Bow sprit bitts one of our Gaff Topsail yards for a Jury Mast & hoisted the gaff Do Sail & got the Schooner before the wind so that she would Sail about 2 Miles per hour about 20 Minutes

after a vain Squall Struck us which broke the Mast that & the Sail went overboard but we made out to save the Sail. we then cut away the Main Gaff from Mainsail & at 4 PM got that up along side the Stump of the Main Mast & set the Gaff topsail there. Steering S S E going 2½ Miles pr hour at 5 PM Cleared the Sail away from the Fore Scuttle went down found that the Water had been nearly up to the Deck & all the Sailors Berths was down their Chists Cloathing & Beding all destroyd we then broke through the Bulk head into the hole found 4 Casks which had Oil in them Stove Casks by the Mast when it was knock out of the Ships we then come at about 40 Kegs Nails which we broke out & threw over board which lightened our Ship forward. we then came out Secured the Fore Scuttle again with the Sail. all this night heavy Squalls & a high Sea running at 8 AM held a prayer Meeting at 9 Commenced preparing to get the Broken Main boom up to the Mainmast as the Gaff was not sufficiently strong to bear the Boat Flying. It set as a Mainstay Sail

at 11 Am Made out to sail it but with a good deal of danger on account of the Sea being so irregular & rain Squalls often at Noon Supposed that we are now Out of the Gulf Stream Sun Obscure ⅔ Thursday 19th

Commences with fresh gales Attended with rain Squalls every half hour a high Sea at 2 PM Set Flying Jib for a Main Staysail Steering South going about 4½ Miles pr hour Middle part the Same Latter part with more Moderate at 8 Am Held a prayer Meeting Latt by Obs 33 42 Long 71.40 as near as we could calculate ----------

Friday Decm 20th

Commences with fresh Gales from N W & attended with heavy rain Squalls & a high Sea & Ships a great quantity of Water over her at 7 PM Changed our Course one point from S to Sby E so as to bring us near Bermuda & if possible gain that port providing we could not fall in with any vessell during night Made its appearance Still blowing heavy attended with rain Squalls. at 9 Am while I was at the helm

one of my Sailors discovers a Sail about 2 points on our Starboard quarter all hands come on deck immediately we can tell the Joy. that one feels in a Situation like this, we feel Joyfull with the prospects that has just presented itself to us with the hope of Soon being relieved from our Gloomy Situation then again fearfull on account of its being So sought that we Should not be able to Reach the Wreck, & in about one hour we discovers that She was a Brig we hauled up SWBy. S So as to fall in with her at half past 10 we Made another Sail in our wake. hope still brightens O how good the Lord is, we got the broken Gaff Foresail yard which was about 10 feet long lashed it up to the Stern timbers, then Set our ensign Reunion down at Noon the first Brig was a beam of us & about 4 Miles to windward & appears to take no notice of us which caused us to believe that she cared nothing about us but in a few Moments they bore away for us by this time the Sail that was astern of us had got within 6 Miles of us & proved to be a Brig with a Deck load of Lumber under a reef

taken of Lat 32-40 Long 68.00

Saturday 21st

Foresail & Chestnut Main Topsail. at 10 PM
the Brig that was to windward came under our
Lee quarter hailed us ask[illegible] they Could render us
any assistance we informed the Capt that we wanted
to be taken of from the wreck he told us that he
would try to do so. She sailed by us hauled up
his foresail & boarded A. & here too it Came
on a Rain Squall for about half an hour
by this time the 2d Brig came up under our Lee
quarter & hailed us. we informed him what we
wanted the Brig Shot a head of us hauled up
his foresail & boarded A. we found both of these
Brigs were from portRoya & bound to Batanzas
on the Is Land of Cuba. when the rain Squall
was over the first [illegible] got out his boat
Came on board with 2 Men the Brig being
to windward the boat came down before
the wind which made it easy for them after
coming alongside to Leward they took into the boat
Mr Frederick Nowland a passenger my 2 Sailors
& Benjamin Rose as Cook. the 2d Brig that came
up last being a head of us the boat went there
& took all on board of his. A. they came on a rain
Squall

which Lasted about half an hour & When
over returned back again took the remainder
of us Myself & Mr Burgess Boat with the
best part of our Cloathing we got 3 Boxes
Spirm Candles on deck to put into the boat
but it being So rough was not allowed to put
them into the boat a few Seconds before we left
Ivan off cut away the the ensign & Said that
I had to leave My Navigating Charts books & many
articles of value we then pushed off, the brig was
about 1 Eighth of a mile on our Starboard bow
we Soon got on board took all out of the Boat
& got her in as Soon as posible. O what a change
in our Situation in So Short a time a few
Moments past our crew were all together
on board of a wreck we are now divided or
Seperated, part on board the Brig Washington
Capt Robertson of Portland & Myself 82 Others
on board Brig Turner Capt Tuttle Son of Portland
& our little Floating bark which we was all in a
few Moments past now left a Solitary Wreck
upon the Great Deep no living Soul on board no
Sail Set & but one Small fore Mast Standing

& that nearly ready to fall down deserted by her
Crew & now to be left to the sport of the raging
Elements untill torn to peices & scatterd over the surface
of the Great Ocean, as we sail away from the Wreck
I kept casting an anxious look at her untill she appeard
like a Small speck in the Horizon & then disapeard.
the Brig that we are on board is deeply loading with
Lumber piled high on Deck with boards, & above
them are empty Molasses Hogsheads it is now 4 PM
I find the Capt & Mate much interested in our
Situation & are making arangements to accomodate as conveniently as circumstances will admit
at midnight more moderate. O how plainly
do I see the Goodness & Mercy of My Heavenly
Father in directing me the right previous
to Arange My Course so that we should fall
in with those two Brigs & to be taken off by them
they were from Portlana & bouth Sailed on the
same day but one of them the Washington returned
back to port in consequence of an approaching storm
& lasted 2 days & then set Sail although an inferior
Sailer to the one I am in Still She overtook her &
came up in a few Moments after the Brig Turner

O how truly was My agonizing Prayer on the night of the 16th answered by My Creator when we all prostrated ourselves on our knees before him & prayed that if it was Consistant with his Divine will to send some raging Rebell along & take us of from our perilous Situation but instead of Sending one for our relief he doubly answered My Prayer by sending two. so that we should not be so burthensome to our Rebell, at 4 am Light winds Made all Sail at 8 am Clear Sky latter part the Same

Sunday Dec 22 1840

First & Middle part pleasent weather at 3 am squally with heavy Showrs of Rain Sails at 7 do high Sea on gale increasing Handed Sails at 10 do how to under rig Fore Sail & Try Sail at Noon heavy Gale. at 8 PM last evening by permission of the Captain & Mate a prayer meeting in the Cabin had an interesting season the officers & Crew were all in the cabin & all appeared to be much pleased with the privaledge of a Meeting

Monday 23 Decm

Commences with Heavy Gale from South with heavy Showrs in a few Moments wind Shifts to S-W in a Squall which soon caused a rough big Sea were Ship immediately at-3 Stopt raining at-4 a broken Clouds & blowing heavy at-8 PM. Call all hands into Cabin & Read prayers. & although the Gale so heavy no Sea has boarded her. Latter part-the Same

Tuesday 24

Commences with heavy Gales from S-W & No appearance of Change at-Midnight. Mor moderate set-up Forsail at-8 am Set-up Sails. Latter part-passing Clouds blowing fresh & a high Sea past a brig Steering South Lat 29.36.

Wednesday 25th

All these 24 hours Light-Winds & Carrying nearly all round the Compass past a Tartan Steering East-

Lat by Obs 28.33 Long 70.40

every thing goes along pleasantly as it regards our treatment & pure pleasant Officers & Crew.

Thursday ~~Thursday~~ May 26th

First & Middle part of these 24 hours Moderate breezes from E Steering SSW by S at 1 am squally took in Sail at 7 wind Shifted in a rain Squall to S at 10 were Ship to SSW at 8 ans Moderate Wind W at 10 Latter part light airs & pleasant Latt 28 13. 72. 09

Friday 27

all these 24 hours fine pleasant weather Winds Variable from S to S E & SSE latter part of the day going 6 Miles pr hour

Sat 28

Commences with fine pleasant weather & a Smooth sea all Sail Set wind SSE. Steering WSW going 6 Miles pr Hour Middle part at 7 PM took a heavy Squall from N W were Ship to the SW & lost ~~lost~~ Carried the Sails Set them at 10 PM handed Topsails. Fore too at day light Moderate & Cloudy Set whole Top ~~Set whole Top~~ Sail & pleasant one Sail in Sight Latt 27.29. Made No Lng

Sunday 29 Decm

Comenses with Heavy Gales from W.S.W. & a high Sea breaking over the Midale part of the gate increasing the Sea rising at 4 am rufd try sail heavy Squalls handed Fore Sail at 9 ao Gale Still increasing & a big Mountainous Sea running but Climbs over them in a wonderfull Manner. the gale is so heavy that we are fearfull we Shall soon be obliged to scud before the wind which will run us away from our course or that we Shall be obliged to heave of our cork boat she begins to leak bad 50 1000 Strokes an hour Latter part no alteration the Sea is now as high as it was at the time we were wreckd we Calculated by this time to have arrived at our destind port but we are not More than half our distance

Latt 27 00. 3 hoisted prayer meeting 8 pm

Monday 30th Fresh gales & Squally with Heavy Gales from W by S Middle part Set Fore Sail & Reef Topsail at Noon Set all Sail Wind S.S.W. we have been here too 24 hrs in this heavy gale & has been as severe as it was when the Elisa was wreck'd

Tuesday 31 Dec.

all these 24 hours Light winds from N.N.W to E.S.E Steering W.S.W we are treated with the greatest kindness by Capt. Fullerton & informed that Capt. Roberson in which Brig other Men are on board his Brig. is a pious Man & that they could not have fallen into better hands. O how good the Lord is towards us how can I ever be grateful enough for his loving kindness towards us. Lat 26.05 - 73.35 -

Wed 1th January 1840

Commences with delightfull weather wind N.E going 6 Knots at 5 PM wind E.S.E moonlight. fresh gales at 8 AM squally with heavy Showers wind South to South at 9 AM wind W.S.W we Judge ourselves 60 Miles from Abico or Inagua in the Mail

Thursday 2d

Commences with moderate winds, W.S.W with rain under easy Sail at 3 PM Cleared of at 4 got an Attitude of Sun & found our Long 76.18 a brig in Sight astern supposed that it is the Brig Washington Middle part fresh winds W.N.W at 6 AM wind N.W Steering W.S.W at 10 AM made land supposed it was Harbour Is. to Southward & Eastward of Abico at Noon after taking the Sun found that we were 55 Miles to N. of Abico. Capt. of S

Latt by Obs 25. 40 these 24 hours begins with
fine pleasent-weather wind light-& at-N E all Sail
6 Miles from Key of N-E point-of-Abico at 6 PM. past-
an S.D when we discovered & counted 16 houses
near the Shore & a Short-distance Back the Land
is the highest-of-any that we have seen the reefs do not
extend but-a Short-distance from the S.D. at-7 Calm
at-9 do Light-airs from S.E Tack's of-Shore at-
12 wind SW at-4 AM sensibly brought-us down
to Clear-our Sails at-6 wind West-made a Bark
Ship to leeward at-9 More Moderate at-Noon
pleasent-weather 2 more Sail in Sight-no land
to be seen. the reason of-it-is there was appearance
of a Storm & wanted to get-an offing & When we
had sailed far enough the wind veered in to the
West-& brought-us so fair to Leeward Latt 26. 0 we
Calculate that the Hole in the Wall bears W by S 30 Miles

Saturday 4th 1840

this day Commences with Fresh Breezes from WSW to
at-3 PM tack Ship to N at-4-PM past-a Brig standing
WSW at-8 PM tack Ship to SW at-11.30 do Made
Abico Light-bearing SW set-all Sail at-2 AM
past-the Light-which is revolving & a very brilliant
light-& can be seen a great-distance at-5 AM light-
vessels at-Sunrise counted 13 Sail of Vessels standing

on our Course at 10 Am made the Triangle Keys at Noon they bore W by S 6 Miles distant Lat 25.48.

Sunday 5th 1840

Commences with fine pleasant weather Variable light airs at E at 1 PM 2 Miles from the Key 2 boats Came off with Guava, Gourds, fish & plantains at 3 oc past the Western Key about 1 Mile from it Saw Several Houses on this last Key & inside we see two objects that have been Cast away we have stood from the Key W SW until 5 PM then Stood to SW by W. Saw now 10 Miles from the Key & in in 10 fathoms of water we want to go 27 Miles on this course before we Stand to SSW which course will carry us of the Bank into the Gulf Stream Variable light airs at 4 AM Stood our Course to SW by S at Sunrise 11 Sail in sight & came to anchor in 6 fathoms of water 3 fathoms at 9 AM fine breeze at Noon 6 Knots Lat 25.10

Monday 6th 1840

These 24 hours begins with pleasant weather fresh Variable from E & E Sailing 6 Miles pr hour all said set a 3 PM made Orange Keys bearing SW by W at 4 oc past them. there are 2 quite large Keys & about one Mile from them are 2 Small ones bearing from the largest ones S by W & they all range in a N by E & S by W

direction from Each other at 5 PM this bore N.E.
5 Miles distance which brings us again into the gulf Stream first Bouys our course now is SW by W for Double Headed Shot Keys at Midnight Cloudy fast Several Lights in board Ships from 12 until 5 AM Rainy at 6 Hours SW by S. at 9.30 made the Keys bearing SSE 9 Miles distance discovered the new light House a building on one of the Keys which will be of great use to Mariners bound to the Gulf of Cuba fast Several Ships & Schooners steering at various points of the Compass at Noon took our Departure from Elbow Key Light House bearing E by S 10 miles distance fine weather Lat by Obs 23.54 Long 80.22

Tuesday Jan^y 7th 1840

these 24 hours Commences with fine weather stiff breezes from E & E & all Sail set - Steering SW by S Several Sail in Sight - at 11 PM made Land have two for any Light. when it came & found to be found that we were 12 Miles N & E of Mantanzas Bay bore away & 10 AM Came to anchor in the harbour & in the Midst of 30 Sail of American Brigs the Brig Washington Capt Robertson where the remainder of our Crew on has not arrived, we are now safely moored in a Snugg Harbour, daylight full of Musquitoes

the Town present itself to our view & our vessel by a high hill & in the valley where the Town is situated we see a great number of Cocoa Nut & Plantain & Banana Trees. this Town is situated 7 Miles up the Bay & easy of Access the Ship lying by about half a Mile from the Key or wharf which is one quarter a mile from the Shore the Custom house Boat has just come along Side of us & one of the officers a Linguister is over hawling the Ships papers & now pleasently are we situated now to what we were on the 20th last Month on board of a Wreck anxiously looking out for Some vessell to Come along to take us of now snugly Moored in this pleasent Harbour praise the Lord O My Soul for his Paternal Care over us in saving our lives & bringing us safely in to port, at 3 PM went on Shore with My Capt was introduced to the Depity Consull Mr Crop. Notice a protest then took a Short walk fell in with a Number of Americans Ships Masters & was Introduced to them & appeared much interested in My behalf returned on board, at 11 PM the Land Breeze Came of so ends the day

life within me & my little hands was so hard
clinched both of the boats warp that it was hard
on Sinking them as I had got a Death Grasp
upon it. & while writing this little narative of
my Juvenile years it causes me to weep to see the
dangerous sures that God has brought me through

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the following year as soon as the spring
came my Father took me again with him as
Cook & in the course of the Summer made Several
Trips to St Port & Providence & one trip in particular
while laying there I got into our boat unbeknown
to my Father & was a sculling the boat under
the wharfs & I fell in with 2 small boys in a
Canoe so we exchanged boats & went a paddling
& sculling about for pleasure untill we got tired
then exchanged back there was a new wharf a building
near the Sloop but no one then at work upon
for it was between working hours at Noon. I was
a sculling the boat quick got her under good
headway hauled in my Oar ran forward caught
up the painter of the Boat & attempted to Jump
on the end of a Log of the wharf that projected
out from the rest & as I Jumped on the Log it
being Slippery I fell backwards into the River
no one see me fall I sank twice & came up
& just as I was going the third time a Captain
of one of the packets discovered me he Jumped into
Boat & Caught hold of me & snatched me from
a watery Grave. I had but just the breath of

bathing my Temples with Camphor. I found up as one out-of- sleep no pain nor no recollection of any thing with in that situation. I recollect- that when I arose in the morning the Sun was just- rising not a cloud to be seen it was all calm & serene in the course of the Forenoon a breeze sprang up from the Southward got- this Sloop under way & returned back to Dartmouth & left me, the distance is 10 miles from where we sailed from. the next- day my Father Sailed again for Kennebeck nothing particular occurred in my life through this year however there is one little circumstance I recollect- of- being out- about- half- a mile from home in a Meadow & lying down under a Large Tree the Wind was blowing fresh & many Clouds flying my little mind got- into a train of- reflections about God & the works he had made. this is the first- time that I have any recollection of- the Spirit- working upon my Mind.) the next- year being Eight- years Old & in the Spring my Father took me again in the Sloop we performed the trip without- any accident + & continued with him through the Season + I fell into the river which lying at- Augusta & came near being drowned. this was the third Trick that

the river in a Canoe. I fell out of her & sank to the bottom how long I remained there I do not know but was taken up by a man nearly gone this doings his age forward to 7 years. in the course of this year My Farther Moved his family 3 miles in to the Country where he had purchased a small one story House. with one acre of land belonging to it. our number had increased to 5 Children. 2 Sisters & three Brothers. My Farther Occupation was a Coasting in the Lumber business in to the Kenebec River & back to St. Bevera at other times as far as Port & Providence being Master & Owner. the next Spring following he took me along with him in the Sloop called the Avis 40 tons burthen we set Sail from Dartmouth on a pleasant day & in the course of that night we anchored under Nantucket Great point the next Morning at Sunrise My Farther got up & I followed him on Deck & he went forward as far as the windlass & within I got as far as the Main Hatchway I fell on deck as dead I was taken up by My Farther carried into the Cabin where I came to I found My self in the right hand berth & my Farther

from Bigness & Mouth & Hollowing as soon as my weak voice would admitt Soon I discovered on Both the wall My Cousen that had been with me & a Cousen Henry which was much older than Either of us I was soon Ware of my enemy they took me down to a brook & was the blood of my face then I saw me home & I recollect that my Mother was out at the wood pile after wood She see me coming & seen me a crying She left her wood & run got hold of me Crying herself to see the Pitiful situation that I was in My face all black & blue & all parts of Swoton very bad My nose broke which has caused me to have a sounding more to this day. not long afterwards I had borrowed a knife of one of my play mates & was going into an orchard opposite the Town I had the knife open & fell down & stuck it into My breast run into the House with it in that situation Hollowing My Mother ran to See what was the cause & caught sight of the knife & was so frightened that She became nice fainting ran into another room Soon My Father came & drawed the knife out, nothing particular occured until the next year in the Summer when paddling

him down a number of times while I stood as a spectator the last-time that he was knocked down he lay there some time & the first- I knew he came at- me with all violence struck me on the head & opened as many as my head was almost- split- in too. My Comrade in the mean time had inward & ran of- & got over the wall & [illegible] to render me any assistance how many times the ram knocked me down I am not- able to, I being small & about- the same height- of- the Ram that every time he struck me was in the face & I was as bloody as a hog I recollect- that after he had knocked me down & how Long I lay I know not- but- when I began to come to & get- pretty up I perceived him about a Rod from me with his head towards me all ready against- I was up & as soon as he came on my feet- he came with all violence down & for senseless & he over me. but- the last- time that he attempted I happened to have out- my hands to keep of- the blow & accidently caught him by his horns & I got one arm around his neck & held him fast- the blood was running a stream

Joseph Howland Born June 3d 1789
in the Town of Dartmouth State Massachusetts
My Parents were born in the same Town.
they Have two daughters older than myself by
the Names of Rowlla & Avis. I sickned in early
life & when but a child how very near I came
a number of times loosing my life; when three years old
with diseases Common to Children that is the Measels,
& receiving a severe wound in my Groin by the
Cut of a Knife by My Father & at 5 years of age
I was taken with a severe fit of Sickness & was given
up to dye. & while lying in that situation some time
57 large worms came from me & My health restored
& when at the age of 6 years I left My Fathers House
in the Morning with one of my Cousins by the name
of Charles to go about ½ mile across Pasture & into
the edge of the woods to see our rabbit traps if there was
one in it, on our return back we got into a lot of sheep
where was an old white face Ram which was at the
upper end & ourselves at lower end we both stopt
when about half way across & cals out to him
to come. he answers us by coming very quickly & that
to our Sorrow for he began on My Cousin & Butted

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